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PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

GRAND LODGE

—OF—

Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons

OF CANADA,

—AT—

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

HELD AT PETROLIA ON THE 28th JUNE, A. L. 5887.

—ALSO AT THE—

Thirty-Second Annual Communication

HELD AT THE TOWN OF BROCKVILLE,

—ON THE—

13th and 14th July, A. D. 1887, A. L. 5887.



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GRAND LODGE OF CANADA.

PROCEEDINGS

At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient,
Free and Accepted Masons of Canada, held in the Town of
Petrolia, on Tuesday, June 28th, A. L. 5887, A. D. 1887.

PRESENT :

M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, Grand Master.

R. " " John Sinclair, D.D.G.M., as Deputy Grand Master.

V. " " David Trotter, as Grand Senior Warden.

" " Robert Jackson, as " Junior "

" " Rev. W. Hayhurst as " Chaplain.

" " John Mallon, as " Treasurer.

V. " " Walter Miller, as " Registrar.

" " James Peat, as " Secretary.

" " C. H. Chapman, as " Senior Deacon.

" " H. G. W. Kittredge, as " Junior "

" " Alex. McDonald, as " Sup't of Works.

" " G. S. Pitkin, as " Dir. of Cer.

" " George McBeth, as " Sword Bearer.

" " W. G. Fraser, as " Organist.

" " Robert Scott, as " Pursuivant.

V. " " Alva Trusler,

" " " J. Newell,

" " " John French,

" " " A. N. Wood,

" " " John McCann,

" " " H. H. Hunt, } as " Stewards,

" " " W. E. Paine,

" " " J. A. C. Anderson,

" " " John McLister,

" " " J. Priddis,

" " " John Ferguson,

" " " James Waddell, as " Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was opened in *ample form*, in the ante-room of the Masonic Hall, East End, at half-past two o'clock p. m., by the M. W., the Grand Master of Canada, who stated that the communication had been called for the purpose of assisting him in laying the corner stone of a Masonic Temple, in the Town of Petrolia.

A procession was then formed under the directions of the acting Grand Director of Ceremonies, Bro. G. S. Pitkin, and headed by the Oil Springs Brass Band, marched to the site of the Masonic Temple, and the front of the procession having reached the place, a halt was made, the ranks opened and faced inwards, when the Grand Master, supported by the Grand Officers, passed through to the north-east corner, where a platform had been erected for their convenience.

Prayer having been offered by the acting Grand Chaplain, Rev. Bro. Hayhurst, the acting Grand Secretary, W. Bro. Peat, read the following scroll :—

**In the Name and by the favor of the Glorious
Architect of Heaven and Earth,**

ON THE 28th DAY OF JUNE, A. D. 1887,

and of the era of Freemasonry A. L. 5887, and in the fifty-first year
(being Jubilee year), of the reign of our Gracious Sovereign

Victoria,

Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, Empress of India and Depend-
encies in Asia, Europe and Africa, Dominion of
Canada, Australia, etc., etc. :

The Most Honorable HENRY CHARLES KEITH PETTY
FITZMAURICE, G. C. M. G., etc., LORD LANSDOWNE,
being Governor-General of Canada.

The Hon. SIR ALEXANDER CAMPBELL, Lieutenant-Governor
of Ontario.

The Rt. Hon. SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD, Premier of the
Dominion of Canada.

The Hon. OLIVER MOWAT, Premier of Ontario.

George Moncrieff, Esq., M. P., East Riding of the County of Lambton.
The Hon. Timothy B. Pardee, M. P. P., West Riding of the County
of Lambton.

John Fraser, Esq., Mayor of the Town of Petrolia.

George S. McPherson, Clerk of the Town of Petrolia.

OFFICERS OF THE MASONIC TEMPLE COMPANY.—Edward D. Kirby,
Jacob L. Englehart, Martin J. Woodward, William Stevenson,
John Sinclair, D. D. G. M.

DIRECTORS—E. D. Kirby, President; J. Sinclair, D. D. G. M., Treasurer; G. S. Pitkin, Secretary.

Bro. Alexander Macdonald, Inspector.

Messrs. J. & J. Kerr, Contractors.

George T. Durand, Esq., Architect.

The Corner Stone

of the Masonic Temple erected by the Masonic Temple Company on behalf of Petrolia Lodge No. 194 and Washington Lodge No. 260
A. F. & A. M.

OFFICERS OF PETROLIA LODGE :

Bro. E. D. Kirby, W. M.

“ H. Mann, S. W.

“ S. Phillips, B. A., J. W.

R. W. “ Jno. Sinclair, D. D. G. M., Treasurer.

W. “ Robt. Jackson, Secretary.

OFFICERS OF WASHINGTON LODGE :

W. Bro. Charles Wilson, W. M.

“ G. S. Pitkin, S. W.

“ E. G. Scott, J. W.

W. “ W. Stevenson, Treasurer.

W. “ Jas. Peat, Secretary.

was laid by M.W. Bro. Henry Robertson, LL.B., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. Masons of Canada, assisted by the Grand Officers, together with a large concourse of visiting Brethren from the different Lodges in St. Clair District, in accordance with the ceremonies and usages of the Order, which may the G. A. O. T. U. ever protect and prosper.

The acting Grand Secretary, then announced that in the copper casket to be deposited in the cavity of the stone, were placed the following articles :—Constitution and By-Laws of Grand Lodge; Copy of the proceedings of Grand Lodge of Canada, 1886; By-Laws of Petrolia Lodge, No. 194; ditto of Washington Lodge, No. 260; ditto of Bruce Chapter Royal

Arch Masons, No. 53, of Petrolia ; Jubilee notes by the Rev. A. Beamer, delivered in the Presbyterian Church, Petrolia, June 19th, 1887. First Annual Announcements of Petrolia High Schools, 1885 and 1886 ; 1,000 barrel Exchange Receipt, No. 1749, of the Crown Warehousing Co., made in favor of Masonic Temple Co., current coins of Canada, 50c., 25c., 10c., 5c., 1c., and 25c. Canadian Scrip ; copies of the *Toronto Daily Globe and Mail*, and *Petrolia Weekly Advertiser and Topic*.

W. M. Bro. E. D. Kirby, on behalf of the fraternity in Petrolia, then presented the Grand Master with an address and an elegant silver trowel, which bore the following inscription :—

“Presented to M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, L. L. B., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Canada, by the Free Masons of the Town of Petrolia, on the occasion of the laying of the corner stone of the Masonic Temple, 28th June, 1887.”

THE FOLLOWING IS THE ADDRESS :

To the Most Worshipful Brother Henry Robertson, L. L. B., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. Masons, of Canada :

Most Worshipful, Sir & Bro :—

We, the undersigned Masters of Petrolia Lodge, No. 194, and Washington Lodge, No. 260, A. F. & A. M., on behalf of other officers and members of said Lodges, desire to express the great pleasure your presence on this occasion has afforded us, and we tender you a hearty and fraternal welcome on this auspicious occasion of laying the foundation stone of the Masonic Temple in Petrolia, marking as it does the progress of Freemasonry, whose principles are based on the corner stone of the great globe itself, and will last as long as time may exist ; and furthermore we pray that the G. A. O. T. U., may grant you and yours long life and prosperity.

Signed on behalf of the officers and members of our respective Lodges.

E. D. KIRBY, W. M. 194.

C. WILSON, W. M. 260.

The most worshipful the Grand Master having graciously acknowledged and accepted the gift, the cement was prepared and the upper stone lowered, with three halts, at which intervals the band played appropriate airs ; when it had been lowered

into its proper place, the practical tests were made under the personal direction of the Grand Master; first by Bro. R. Jackson, Grand Junior Warden, with the plumb rule ; next by Bro. D. Trotter, Grand Senior Warden, with the level ; and then by Bro. John Sinclair, Deputy Grand Master, with the square. The tests being satisfactory, the Grand Master then approached the stone and struck it three times with his gavel, saying : Nothing now remains but for me to complete the work, well made, well proved, truly laid, true and trusty, and may this undertaking be completed by the craftsmen according to the Grand Plan of peace, harmony and brotherly love.

The cornucopia, or horn of plenty, borne by W. Bro. J. W. Ford ; the wine, borne by W. Bro. Chas. Wilson, and the oil, borne by W. Bro. E. D. Kirby, were then handed to the Grand Master, by whom the stone was strewn with corn, moistened with wine, and anointed with oil, and as he performed these ceremonies the Grand Master said :—"I strew corn upon the stone as an emblem of plenty ; I pour wine upon it as an emblem of cheerfulness, and I anoint it with oil as an emblem of comfort and consolation. May corn, wine and oil, and all the necessities of life abound among men, and may the blessing of the Supreme Architect of the Universe be upon this edifice and all connected with it."

The Band then played a selection, after which addresses were made by Bro. Hayhurst, his worship the Mayor, and Bro. E. D. Kirby. The Grand Master then inspected the plans and specifications of the building, after which he handed them to Mr. John Kerr, the contractor, with the admonition to continue the work to completion as well as he had commenced, and all would be well.

The Grand Honors were then given by Bro. G. S. Pitkin, assisted by all the brethren ; the procession reformed and returned to the Masonic Hall, and after the Grand Master had

expressed his gratification at the successful nature of the day's proceedings, the Grand Lodge was closed in *ample form*.

ATTEST.



J. J. Mason

Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA.

PROCEEDINGS.

At the Thirty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada, held in the Opera House, in the Town of Brockville, commencing on Wednesday, the 13th day of July, A. D. 1887, A. L. 5887.

PRESENT :

M. W. Bro.	Henry Robertson, LL. B.,	Grand Master,
	on the Throne.	
R. W. Bro.	R. T. Walkem, Q. C.,	Deputy Grand Master.
" " "	J. E. D'Avignon,	Grand Senior Warden.
" " "	W. J. Simpson,	" Junior Warden.
" " "	Rev. C. L. Worrell, M. A.	" Chaplain.
" " "	Edward Mitchell,	" Treasurer.
" " "	G. J. Bennett,	" Registrar.
" " "	J. J. Mason,	" Secretary.
V. " "	C. W. Postlethwaite,	" Senior Deacon.
" " "	Le. F. A. Maingy,	" Junior Deacon.
" " "	W. H. Ponton,	" Supt. of Works
" " "	H. A. Mackelcan, as As't	" Secretary.
" " "	H. J. Wilkinson,	" Sword Bearer.
" " "	L. Secord, M. D., Ass't	" Organist.
" " "	Alex. Stewart,	" Grand Pursuivant.
" " "	W. B. Doherty,	" Stewards.
" " "	Ichabod Baker,	
" " "	J. M. Hart,	
" " "	Walter Patterson,	
" " "	W. L. P. Eager,	
" " "	John Hoodless,	" Tyler.
" " "	John Grant,	

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R. W. Bro.	R. M. Stewart,	Erie	District No.	1
" " "	John Sinclair,	St. Clair	" "	2
" " "	Luke Slater,	London	" "	3
" " "	C. McLellan,	South Huron	" "	4
" " "	J. F. H. Gunn,	North Huron	" "	5
" " "	J. C. Hegler,	Wilson District	" "	6
" " "	T. P. Smith,	Wellington	" "	7
" " "	H. S. Broughton,	Georgian	" "	9
" " "	T. L. M. Tipton,	Niagara	" "	10
" " "	J. Ross Robertson,	Toronto	" "	11
" " "	Robert McCaw,	Ontario	" "	12
" " "	James Tulloch,	Prince Edward	" "	13
" " "	Frederick Welch,	Frontenac	" "	14
" " "	A. L. Riddel,	St. Lawrence	" "	15
" " "	J. H. Burritt,	Ottawa	" "	16
" " "	A. W. Thompson,	Algoma	" "	17

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- M. W. Bro. Daniel Spry, Representative of the Grand Lodges of Kentucky, Greece and New South Wales.
- M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Washington Territory and Grand Orient of St. Domingo.
- M. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, Representative of the Grand Lodges of Connecticut and Minnesota.
- M. W. Bro. J. K. Kerr, Representative of the Grand Lodges of Indiana, Missouri, New Jersey, Texas and Utah.
- M. W. Bro. Jas. Moffat, Representative of the Grand Lodges of Idaho and Pennsylvania.
- M. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi.
- M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

- M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, Representative of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.
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- V. W. Bro. C. W. Brown, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

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“ “ “ John Nettleton,	“
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" "	J. H. Widdifield,	"
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" "	David McLellan,	"
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" "	E. Plant,	"
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" "	John Carruthers,	"
" "	S. S. Clutton,	"
" "	C. Doebler,	"
" "	J. R. Dargavel,	"
" "	W. C. Dobie,	"
" "	John Erskine,	"
" "	W. L. P. Eager,	"
" "	S. B. Fell,	"
" "	S. W. Flagler,	"
" "	John Fitzallan,	"
" "	W. B. Irving,	"
" "	Harry Jennings,	"
" "	C. King,	"
" "	Jas. Macoun,	"
" "	R. McKnight,	"
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" "	E. E. Wade,	"
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" "	N. J. Bogart.	" "	W. R. Burrage.
V. "	Ichabod Baker.	" "	Ira Bates.
" "	Omer Brown.	" "	T. Clappison.
" "	J. B. Christie.	" "	John Callard.

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“ “ John Chapman.	“ “ D. Derbyshire.
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	" " John Patton.	" " " T. S. Petrie.
	" " B. Payne.	R. " " J. W. Pickup.
	" " R. Prout.	V. " " J. Quigg.
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" " " D. Spry.	R. " " W. J. Simpson.
" " " A. A. Stevenson.	V. " " Alex. Stewart.
R. " " Gavin Stewart.	" " J. McL. Stevenson.
" " " L. Slater.	" " J. B. Saunders.
" " " T. Sargant.	" " Jas. Speight.
" " " John Scoon.	V. " " C. L. Sanders.
" " " John Sinclair.	" " " L. Secord.
" " " T. P. Smith.	" " B. Shortly.
" " " R. M. Stewart.	" " John Sharpe.
" " " C. N. Spencer.	" " W. Smeaton.
" " " T. A. Stayner.	" " J. M. Sinclair.
V. " " Geo. Tait.	" " Samuel Trotter.
R. " " J. B. Traves.	" " J. B. Thompson.
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" " " James Tulloch.	" " David Taylor.
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" " " W. L. Underwood.	R. " " G. R. Vanzant.
V. " " H. J. Wilkinson.	" " " R. T. Walkem.
" " " G. H. Weatherhead.	" " " T. Wilkinson,
" " " James Walters.	" " " W. C. Wilkinson.
" " " H. Welbanks.	" " M. Walsh.
" " " W. A. Woolson.	" " Robt. Weddell.
" " " Rev. W. T. Wilkins.	" " H. T. Wilkinson.
" " " J. W. Wallace.	V. " " G. E. R. Wilson.
R. " " J. H. Widdifield.	" " " E. E. Wade.
" " " John Walsh.	" " " J. A. Wills.
" " " Rev. C. L. Worrell.	" " Wm. Wright.
" " " F. Welch.	" " G. C. Wagner.
" " " Hugh Walket.	" " Wm. Webster.
" " " I. P. Willson.	

A constitutional number of Lodges being represented, the

Grand Lodge was opened in *ample form*, at 11 a. m., and the Grand Chaplain implored a blessing from the G. A. O. T. U. upon all the proceedings.

The Board of General Purposes, as required by the Constitution, appointed R. W. Bros. R. Hendry, jr., and R. B. Hungerford, and W. Bro. T. W. Sparham, a committee on the Credentials of Representatives and Proxies from Lodges, who reported the following as being present :

- No. 2. *Niagara Lodge, Niagara.*
W. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 3. *The Ancient St. John's Lodge, Kingston.*
W. Bro. E. H. Smyth, W. M. ; Bro. John Waddell, J. W. ; R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, P. M. ; V. W. Bros. S. G. Fairtlough, P. M. ; H. J. Wilkenson, P. M. ; W. Bros. T. Millman, P. M. ; H. J. Saunders, P. M.
- No. 5. *Sussex Lodge, Brockville.*
W. Bro. T. W. Sparham, W. M. ; Bros. H. C. McAuley, S. W. ; J. H. Shaver, J. W. ; R. W. Bros. A. L. Riddel, P. M. ; W. J. Simpson, P. M. ; T. Wilkinson, P. M. ; V. W. Bros. J. Quigg, P. M. ; Alex. Stewart, P. M. ; W. Bros. D. Derbyshire, P. M. ; G. H. Weatherhead, P. M.
- No. 6. *Barton Lodge, Hamilton.*
W. Bro. John Hoodless, W. M. ; Bro. S. M. Kenny, J. W. ; R. W. Bro. Gavin Stewart, P. M. ; V. W. Bro. Geo. Russell, P. M. ; W. Bros. T. Clappison, P. M. ; H. S. Griffin, P. M.
- No. 7. *Union Lodge, Grimsby.*
W. Bro. W. F. Clarke, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. Wm. Forbes, P. M.
- No. 9. *Union Lodge, Napanee.*
W. Bro. Jas. Walters, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 10. *Norfolk Lodge, Simcoe.*
W. Bro. G. H. Luscombe, W. M.
- No. 11. *Moirs Lodge, Belleville.*
R. W. Bros. A. McGinnis, W. M. ; L. H. Henderson, P. M. ; V. W. Bro. W. H. Ponton, P. M.
- No. 14. *True Britons' Lodge, Perth.*
W. Bro. B. Warren, W. M. ; Bro. Peter Hope, S. W. ; V. W. Bro. J. F. Kennedy, P. M. ; W. Bro. W. J. Pink, P. M.
- No. 15. *St. George's Lodge, St. Catharines.*
V. W. Bro. C. G. McDermott, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 16. *St. Andrew's Lodge, Toronto.*
Bro. Jas. Glanville, J. W. ; R. W. Bro. W. C. Wilkinson, P. M. ; V. W. Bro. Geo. Tait, P. M. ; W. Bro. D. Rose, P. M.
- No. 17. *St. John's Lodge, Cobourg.*
W. Bro. H. F. Holland, P. M.

- No. 18. *Prince Edward Lodge, Picton.*
W. Bro. E. W. Case, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. Donald Ross, P. M. ; W. Bro. H. Welbanks, P. M.
- No. 20. *St. John's Lodge, London.*
W. Bro. Geo. Elliott, W. M. ; M. W. Bro. Jas. Moffat, P. M. ; V. W. Bro. M. D. Dawson, P. M. ; W. Bro. A. B. Greer, P. M.
- No. 22. *King Solomon's Lodge, Toronto.*
V. W. Bro. W. J. Hambly, W. M. ; Bros. J. C. Cloudsley, S. W. ; Wm. Anderson, J. W. ; R. W. Bros. J. Ross Robertson, P. M. ; David McLellan, P. M.
- No. 25. *Ionic Lodge, Toronto.*
W. Bro. F. M. Morson, W. M. ; M. W. Bro. J. K. Kerr, P. M. ; V. W. Bros. C. W. Brown, P. M. ; C. W. Postlethwaite, P. M. ; W. Bro. F. F. Manley, P. M.
- No. 26. *Ontario Lodge, Port Hope.*
V. W. Bro. C. Doebler, P. M., Proxy ; R. W. Bro. J. B. Traves, P. M.
- No. 27. *Strict Observance Lodge, Hamilton.*
W. Bro. W. F. McGiverin, W. M. ; R. W. Bros. J. J. Mason, P. M. ; David McLellan, P. M.
- No. 30. *Composite Lodge, Whitby.*
W. Bro. W. R. Howse, P. M., Proxy ; V. W. Bro. C. King, P. M.
- No. 31. *Jerusalem Lodge, Bowmanville.*
W. Bro. Wm. McKay, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 32. *Amity Lodge, Dunnville.*
W. Bro. John W. McCallum, P. M., Proxy ; M. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour, P. M. ; R. W. Bro. T. L. M. Tipton, P. M.
- No. 33. *Maitland Lodge, Goderich.*
W. Bro. C. A. Humber, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. R. Radcliffe, P. M. ; V. W. Bro. Jos. Beck, P. M.
- No. 37. *King Hiram Lodge, Ingersoll.*
W. Bros. W. L. Underwood, W. M. ; M. Walsh, P. M. ; W. A. Woolson, P. M.
- No. 38. *Trent Lodge, Trenton.*
W. Bros. John S. Dench, W. M. ; J. B. Christie, P. M. ; Rob't Weddell, P. M.
- No. 39. *Mount Zion Lodge, Brooklyn.*
W. Bro. J. Lawrence, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 42. *St. George's Lodge, London.*
W. Bros. W. R. Vining, W. M. ; T. Millman, P. M. ; John Callard, P. M. ; A. B. Munson, P. M.
- No. 44. *St. Thomas Lodge, St. Thomas.*
W. Bro. Rob't McCully, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. L. Slater, P. M. ; V. W. Bro. W. B. Doherty, P. M. ; W. Bros. A. N. Pettit, P. M. ; E. H. Raymour, P. M.

- No. 45. *Brant Lodge, Brantford.*
R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, Proxy.
- No. 46. *Wellington Lodge, Chatham.*
W. Bro. Samuel Trotter, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. T. C. Macnabb, P. M. ; W. Bro. J. E. Peers, P. M.
- No. 47. *Great Western Lodge, Windsor.*
W. Bro. Joseph Hall, W. M. ; Bro. Alex. McNichol, J. M.
- No. 48. *Madoc Lodge, Madoc.*
W. Bro. J. Caverly, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. J. S. Loomis, P. M.
- No. 52. *Dalhousie Lodge, Ottawa.*
W. Bro. C. A. Douglas, W. M.
- No. 55. *Merrickville Lodge, Merrickville.*
W. Bro. A. McDonald, W. M.
- No. 56. *Victoria Lodge, Sarnia.*
W. Bro. C. S. Ellis, W. M.
- No. 58. *Doric Lodge, Ottawa.*
W. Bro. A. Pratt, W. M.
- No. 61. *Acacia Lodge, Hamilton.*
W. Bro. Alex. Smith, W. M. ; M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, P. M. ; R. W. Bro. E. Mitchell, P. M.
- No. 62. *St. Andrew's Lodge, Caledonia.*
W. Bro. Jas. Old, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 64. *Kilwinning Lodge, London.*
R. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford, P. M., Proxy ; V. W. Bro. T. Brock, P. M.
- No. 65. *Rehoboam Lodge, Toronto.*
W. Bro. Malcolm Gibbs, W. M. ; Bro. Wm. Bain, J. W. ; M. W. Bro. D. Spry, P. M. ; R. W. Bros. Jas. Greenfield, P. M. ; R. L. Patterson, P. M. ; J. B. Nixon, P. M.
- No. 66. *Durham Lodge, Newcastle.*
W. Bros. Jas. Parker, W. M. ; D. Allan, P. M.
- No. 68. *St. John's Lodge, Ingersoll.*
W. Bro. J. Morrison, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. J. C. Hegler, P. M.
- No. 69. *Stirling Lodge, Stirling.*
W. Bro. G. W. Faulkner, W. M.
- No. 72. *Alma Lodge, Galt.*
W. Bro. T. McGiverin, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 73. *St. James Lodge, St Marys.*
W. Bro. Jas. Chalmers, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, P. M.
- No. 74. *St. James Lodge, Maitland.*
W. Bro. A. Burritt, P. M. ; John Dumbrill, P. M.
- No. 75. *St. John's Lodge, Toronto.*
Bro. W. E. Smith, J. W. ; R. W. Bro. F. J. Menet, P. M. ; V. W. Bro. John Erskine, P. M.

- No. 76. *Oxford Lodge, Woodstock.*
W. Bro. W. T. Wilkinson, W. M.; R. W. Bro. F. C. Martin, P. M.
- No. 77. *Faithful Brethren Lodge, Lindsay.*
W. Bro. J. W. Wallace, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 78. *King Hiram Lodge, Tilsonburg.*
W. Bro. Wm. McDonald, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 79. *Simcoe Lodge, Bradford.*
W. Bro. J. S. Boddy, W. M.; R. W. Bro. H. S. Broughton, P. M.; W. Bro. J. Mc. L. Stevenson, P. M.
- No. 81. *St. John's Lodge, Mt. Brydges.*
W. Bro. D. Small, W. M.
- No. 83. *Beaver Lodge, Strathroy.*
W. Bro. John Mallon, W. M.
- No. 85. *Rising Sun Lodge, Farmersville.*
W. Bro. J. B. Saunders, W. M.; Bro. N. H. Beecher, S. W.; W. Bros. J. P. Lamb, P. M.; D. Mansell, P. M.
- No. 86. *Wilson Lodge, Toronto.*
Bro. Geo. Clark, J. W.; R. W. Bro. T. Sargent, P. M.
- No. 87. *Markham Union Lodge, Markham.*
W. Bro. Jas. Speight, W. M.; R. W. Bro. G. R. Van Zant, P. M.
- No. 88. *St. George's Lodge, Owen Sound.*
W. Bro. Hugh Reid, W. M.; R. W. Bro. Henry Macpherson, P. M.; V. W. Bro. R. McKnight, P. M.
- No. 90. *Manito Lodge, Collingwood.*
W. Bro. W. T. Toner, W. M.; M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, P. M.; R. W. Bro. John Nettleton, P. M.
- No. 91. *Colborne Lodge, Colborne.*
V. W. Bro. G. E. R. Wilson, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 92. *Cataragui Lodge, Kingston.*
R. W. Bro. R. Hendry, P. M.; W. Bro. R. V. Matthews, P. M.
- No. 93. *Northern Light Lodge, Kincardine.*
R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, Proxy.
- No. 96. *Corinthian Lodge, Barrie.*
W. Bro. G. G. Smith, W. M.; R. W. Bro. Robt. King, P. M.; V. W. Bro. C. L. Sanders, P. M.; W. Bro. Geo. Monkman, P. M.
- No. 97. *Sharon Lodge, Sharon.*
V. W. Bro. A. Borngasser, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 99. *Tuscan Lodge, Newmarket.*
W. Bro. J. W. Allan, W. M.; R. W. Bro. J. H. Widdifield, P. M.
- No. 101. *Corinthian Lodge, Peterborough.*
Bro. W. C. Bradshaw, J. W.; R. W. Bro. E. H. D. Hall, P. M.
- No. 103. *Maple Leaf Lodge, St. Catharines.*
M. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour, P. M.

- No. 104. *St. John's Lodge, Norwich.*
W. Bro. A. H. S. Hill, W. M.
- No. 106. *Burford Lodge, Burford.*
W. Bro. W. F. Miles, W. M.
- No. 109. *Albion Lodge, Harrowsmith.*
W. Bro. B. F. Day, W. M.
- No. 110. *Central Lodge, Prescott.*
W. Bro. H. H. Wells, W. M.; V. W. Bro. John Carruthers, P. M.; W. Bros. C. C. Brouse, P. M.; C. Macpherson, P. M.; John Easton, P. M.
- No. 113. *Wilson Lodge, Waterford.*
R. W. Bro. E. H. Long, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 114. *Hope Lodge, Port Hope.*
Bro. R. G. Blackham, J. W.
- No. 115. *Ivy Lodge, Beamsville.*
R. W. Bro. David McLellan, Proxy.
- No. 118. *Union Lodge, Schomberg.*
Bro. E. F. Walker, S. W.
- No. 119. *Maple Leaf Lodge, Bath.*
W. Bro. F. W. Armstrong, W. M.
- No. 120. *Warren Lodge, Fingal.*
W. Bro. Samuel Dubber, Proxy.
- No. 121. *Doric Lodge, Brantford.*
V. W. Bro. L. Secord, W. M.
- No. 122. *Renfrew Lodge, Renfrew.*
W. Bro. David Barr, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 123. *The Belleville Lodge, Belleville.*
W. Bro. H'y Pringle, W. M.; V. W. Bros. J. P. Thomas, P. M.; Jas Macoun, P. M.; W. Bros. J. P. Thompson, P. M.; D. McLean, P. M.; Geo. H. Pope, P. M.
- No. 127. *Franck Lodge, Frankford.*
W. Bro. C. W. Clark, W. M.; V. W. Bro. G. E. R. Wilson, P. M.; A. Rockwell, P. M.
- No. 128. *Pembroke Lodge, Pembroke.*
R. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 129. *The Rising Sun Lodge, Aurora.*
W. Bro. C. C. Robinson, W. M.
- No. 131. *St. Lawrence Lodge, Southampton.*
R. W. Bro. J. F. H. Gunn, P. M.
- No. 135. *St. Clair Lodge, Milton.*
W. Bro. J. H. McCallum, W. M.; V. W. Bro. W. L. P. Eager, P. M.
- No. 137. *Pythagoras Lodge, Meaford.*
W. Bro. W. N. Chisholm, W. M.; V. W. Bro. T. McCarroll, P. M.; W. Bros. D. Bole, P. M.; A. Burritt, P. M.
- No. 139. *Lebanon Lodge, Oshawa.*
W. Bro. J. S. Beaton, W. M.; R. W. Bro. Rob't McCaw, P. M.

- No. 140. *Malahide Lodge, Aylmer.*
V. W. Bro. S. S. Clutton, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 141. *Tudor Lodge, Mitchell.*
W. Bro. W. White, W. M.
- No. 142. *Excelsior Lodge, Morrisburg.*
V. W. Bro. S. B. Fell, W. M.
- No. 144. *Tecumseh Lodge, Stratford.*
W. Bro. A. Denny, W. M.; Bro. J. M. Struthers, J. W.; R. W. Bro. C. McClellan, P. M.
- No. 145. *J. B. Hall Lodge, Millbrook.*
W. Bro. B. Shortly, Proxy.
- No. 146. *Prince of Wales Lodge, Newburgh.*
R. W. Bro. R. W. Longmore, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 147. *Mississippi Lodge, Almonte.*
W. B. Ralph Hill, W. M.
- No. 148. *Civil Service Lodge, Ottawa.*
W. Bro. W. F. Boardman, W. M.; R. W. Bros. E. Plant, P. M.; John Walsh, P. M.; V. W. Bro. Le F. A. Maingy, P. M.
- No. 151. *The Grand River Lodge, Berlin.*
W. Bro. R. Davey, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 153. *Burns Lodge, Wyoming.*
V. W. Bro. J. Newell, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 154. *Irving Lodge, Lucan.*
W. Bro. T. Kitt, W. M.
- No. 155. *Peterborough Lodge, Peterborough.*
W. Bro. Wm. Thompson, W. M.; V. W. Bro. Walter Patterson, P. M.; W. Bro. B. Shortly, P. M.
- No. 156. *York, Lodge, Eglinton.*
Bro. J. H. McKenzie, S. W.; W. Bro. John McArthur, P. M.
- No. 157. *Simpson Lodge, Newboro.*
V. W. Bro. J. R. Dargavel, W. M.; R. W. Bro. R. H. Preston, P. M.; W. Bro. W. Wright, P. M.
- No. 158. *Alexandra Lodge, Oil Springs.*
W. Bro. J. W. Ford, W. M.
- No. 164. *Star in the East Lodge, Wellington.*
V. W. Bro. S. W. Flagler, W. M.; Bros. F. C. Spencer, S. W.; F. A. Burlingham, J. W.
- No. 166. *Wentworth Lodge, Stoney Creek.*
M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 168. *Merritt Lodge, Welland.*
W. Bro. J. H. Crow, W. M.
- No. 169. *McNab Lodge, Port Colborne.*
V. W. Bro. C. G. McDermott, Proxy.
- No. 170. *Britannia Lodge, Seaforth.*
W. Bro. W. Ballantyne, W. M.

- No. 177. *The Builders' Lodge, Ottawa.*
W. Bro. H. F. Webbe, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. Wm. Rea, P. M. ;
W. Bro. D. Taylor, P. M.
- No. 178 *Plattsville Lodge, Plattsville.*
W. Bro. W. R. Henderson, W. M.
- No. 180. *Speed Lodge, Guelph.*
Bro. Thos. New, S. W. ; R. W. Bro. John Scoon, P. M.
- No. 181. *Oriental Lodge, Port Burwell.*
R. W. Bro. F. C. Martin, Proxy.
- No. 189. *Filius Vidue Lodge, Adolphustown.*
Bro. W. Love, S. W.
- No. 190. *Belmont Lodge, Belmont.*
W. Bro. A. E. Cooper, Proxy ; W. Bro. J. G. Fawcett, P. M.
- No. 193. *Scotland Lodge, Scotland.*
W. Bro. W. F. Miles, Proxy.
- No. 194. *Petrolia Lodge, Petrolia.*
W. Bro. E. D. Kirby, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. John Sinclair, P. M.
- No. 195. *The Tuscan Lodge, London.*
Bro. E. Paull, S. W. ; W. Bro. A. W. Porte, P. M.
- No. 197. *Saugeen Lodge, Walkerton.*
W. Bro. C. Dempsey, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. J. F. H. Gunn,
P. M.
- No. 200. *St. Alban's Lodge, Mt. Forest.*
R. W. Bro. T. P. Smith, Proxy.
- No. 201. *Leeds Lodge, Gananoque.*
W. Bro. A. C. Watts, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. Rev. C. L. Worrell,
P. M. ; W. Bro. J. C. Ross, P. M.
- No. 203. *Irvine Lodge, Elora.*
W. Bro. E. Burns, W. M. ; Bro. Joseph Clark, J. W. ; R. W.
Bro. T. P. Smith, P. M.
- No. 205. *New Dominion Lodge, New Hamburg.*
W. Bro. J. R. Flick, W. M. ; Bro. T. D. Allan, S. W.
- No. 207. *Lancaster Lodge, Lancaster.*
W. Bro. J. D. Houston, W. M.
- No. 209a. *St. John's Lodge, London.*
W. Bro. A. E. Cooper, W. M. ; Bro. G. C. Davis, J. W. ; R.
W. Bro. J. S. Dewar, P. M.
- No. 209. *Evergreen Lodge, Lanark.*
W. Bros. A. P. Melrose, W. M. ; J. H. Bothwell, P. M.
- No. 215 *Lake Lodge, Ameliasburg.*
W. Bro. W. E. Delong, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 217. *Frederick Lodge, Delhi.*
W. Bro. Wm. McDonald, Proxy.
- No. 218. *Stevenson Lodge, Toronto.*
W. Bro. J. Nicholson, W. M. ; M. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson,
P. M. ; W. Bro. John Patton, P. M.

- No. 220. *Zeredatha Lodge, Uxbridge.*
W. Bro. T. W. Chappell, W. M.
- No. 221. *Mountain Lodge, Thorold.*
W. Bro. A. McClenchy, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 222. *Marmora Lodge, Marmora.*
W. Bro. R. Prout, W. M.
- No. 224. *Zurich Lodge, Hensall.*
R. W. Bro. C. McClellan, Proxy.
- No. 225. *Bernard Lodge, Listowel.*
W. Bro. T. Blackmore, W. M.
- No. 228. *Prince Arthur Lodge, Odessa.*
W. Bro. L. H. Stover, W. M.
- No. 229. *Ionic Lodge, Brampton.*
Bro. L. F. Miller, J. W.
- No. 230. *Kerr Lodge, Barrie.*
W. Bro. J. H. Bennett, W. M. ; M. W. Bro. D. Spry, P. M.
- No. 231. *Lodge of Fidelity, Ottawa.*
R. W. Bro. Wm. Rea, Proxy ; M. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson,
P. M. ; R. W. Bro. E. Plant, P. M.
- No. 234. *Beaver Lodge, Clarksburg.*
W. Bro. R. H. Hunt, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 237. *Vienna Lodge, Vienna.*
R. W. Bro. F. C. Martin, Proxy.
- No. 239. *Tweed Lodge, Tweed.*
R. W. Bro. James Tulloch, Proxy.
- No. 241. *Quinte Lodge, Shannonville.*
R. W. Bro. A. McGinnis, P. M., Proxy ; W. Bro. J. Kemp,
P. M.
- No. 242. *Macoy Lodge, Mallorytown.*
W. Bro. F. Thompson, W. M. ; Bro. R. L. Booth, S. W. ;
W. Bro. J. C. Dickey, P. M.
- No. 243. *St. George Lodge, St. George.*
V. W. Bro. L. Secord, Proxy.
- No. 245. *Tecumseh Lodge, Thamesville.*
R. W. Bro. R. M. Stewart, Proxy.
- No. 247. *Ashlar Lodge, Toronto.*
W. Bro. A. D. Ponton, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. F. J. Menet, P. M.
- No. 249. *Caledonian Lodge, Midland.*
W. Bros. R. Raikes, W. M. ; W. H. Bennett, P. M.
- No. 250. *Thistle Lodge, Embro.*
W. Bro. James Munro, W. M.
- No. 253. *Minden Lodge, Kingston.*
W. Bro. L. W. Shannon W. M. ; R. W. Bros. F. Welch
P. M. ; J. Greenfield, P. M. ; Allan McLean, P. M. ; W. Bro.
W. Newlands, P. M.
- No. 254. *Clifton Lodge, Niagara Falls.*
Bros. Alex. Logan, S. W. ; Alex. Gray, J. W.

- No. 255. *Sydenham Lodge, Dresden.*
Bro. J. B. Carscallen, S. W.; R. W. Bro. R. M. Stewart, P. M.
- No. 256. *Farran's Point Lodge, Farran's Point.*
W. Bros. A. S. Wylie, W. M.; G. C. Wagner, P. M.
- No. 257. *Galt Lodge, Galt.*
W. Bro. John Shupe, W. M.
- No. 258. *Guelph Lodge, Guelph.*
R. W. Bro. Hugh Walker, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 260. *Washington Lodge, Petrolia.*
W. Bro. E. D. Kirby, Proxy.
- No. 264. *Chaudiere Lodge, Ottawa.*
Bro. R. Stewart, J. W.
- No. 266. *Northern Light Lodge, Stayner.*
R. W. Bro. John Nettleton, Proxy.
- No. 267. *Parthenon Lodge, Chatham.*
W. Bro. N. J. Bogart, W. M.
- No. 268. *Verulam Lodge, Bobcaygeon.*
W. Bro. B. Shortly, Proxy.
- No. 269. *Brougham Union Lodge, Brougham.*
W. Bro. Geo. D. Linton, W. M.
- No. 270. *Cedar Lodge, Oshawa.*
W. Bro. A. L. Rundle, P. M. Proxy.
- No. 272. *Seymour Lodge, Ancaster.*
M. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour, Proxy.
- No. 276. *Teeswater Lodge, Teeswater.*
R. W. Bro. J. F. H. Gunn, Proxy.
- No. 277. *Seymour Lodge, Port Dalhousie.*
W. Bros. John Johnston, W. M.; John Green, J. W.; M. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour, P. M.
- No. 278. *Mystic Lodge, Roslin.*
W. Bro. C. Hudson, W. M.
- No. 279. *New Hope Lodge, Hespeler.*
W. Bros. C. Pabst, P. M., Proxy; A. B. Jardine, P. M.
- No. 282. *Lorne Lodge, Glencoe.*
W. Bro. B. Payne, Proxy.
- No. 283. *Eureka Lodge, Belleville.*
W. Bro. Wm. Smeaton, W. M.; R. W. Bros. S. S. Lazier, P. M.; W. L. Hamilton, P. M.; W. Bros. Wm. Webster, P. M.; P. H. Hambly, P. M.
- No. 284. *St. John's Lodge, Brussels.*
W. Bro. Thos. Blackmore, Proxy.
- No. 286. *Wingham Lodge, Wingham.*
W. Bro. E. L. Dickenson, W. M.
- No. 287. *Shuniah Lodge, Port Arthur.*
V. W. Bro. W. C. Dobie, P. M., Proxy; R. W. Bro. A. W. Thompson, P. M.

- No. 289. *Doric Lodge, Lobo.*
W. Bro. A. N. Graham, W. M.
- No. 291. *Dufferin Lodge, West Flamboro'.*
W. Bro. W. Clark, W. M.
- No. 292. *Robertson Lodge, Nobleton.*
R. W. Bro. G. J. Bennett, Proxy.
- No. 294. *Moore Lodge, Mooretown.*
W. Bro. Rev. D. Armstrong, W. M.
- No. 296. *Temple Lodge, St. Catharines.*
W. Bro. J. R. Seymour, W. M. ; V. W. Bro. C. E. Klotz, P.M.
- No. 297. *Preston Lodge, Preston.*
M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 299. *Victoria Lodge, Centreville.*
W. Bro. Rob't Cox, W. M.
- No. 302. *St. David's Lodge, St. Thomas.*
W. Bro. A. N. Pettit, Proxy.
- No. 304. *Minerva Lodge, Stroud.*
V. W. Bro. C. L. Sanders, Proxy.
- No. 305. *Humber Lodge, Weston.*
R. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, Proxy ; W. Bro. W. R. Burrage, P. M.
- No. 306. *Durham Lodge, Durham.*
R. W. Bro. T. P. Smith, Proxy.
- No. 308. *Grafton Lodge, Grafton.*
W. Bro. W. W. Boyce, W. M.
- No. 309. *Morning Star Lodge, Smith's Hill.*
V. W. Bro. Jos. Beck, Proxy
- No. 311. *Blackwood Lodge, Woodbridge.*
W. Bro. D. D. McLean, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. Thos. Sargent, P. M.
- No. 313. *Clementi Lodge, Lakefield.*
W. Bro. B. Shortly, Proxy.
- No. 315. *Clifford Lodge, Clifford.*
W. Bro. E. Burns, Proxy.
- No. 316. *Doric Lodge, Toronto.*
W. Bro. T. Downey, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. J. B. Nixon, P.M. ;
W. Bros. J. A. Cowan, P. M. ; John Ritchie, P. M.
- No. 318. *Wilmot Lodge, Baden.*
W. Bros. W. H. Erbach, W. M. ; W. Melrose, P. M.
- No. 319. *Hiram Lodge, Cheapside.*
R. W. Bro. T. L. M. Tipton, Proxy.
- No. 320. *Chesterville Lodge, Chesterville.*
W. Bro. J. G. Gillespie, W. M.
- No. 322. *North Star Lodge, Owen Sound.*
W. Bro. John Millen, W. M.

- No. 323. *Alvinston Lodge, Alvinston.*
R. W. Bro. John Sinclair, Proxy.
- No. 324. *Temple Lodge, Hamilton.*
W. Bro. H. A. Mackelcan, W. M.
- No. 325. *Orono Lodge, Orono.*
W. Bro. Wm Thompson, W. M.
- No. 326. *Zetland Lodge, Toronto.*
R. W. Bros. E. T. Malone, P. M., Proxy ; T. Sargant, P. M. ;
F. J. Menet, P. M. ; J. Ross Robertson, P. M. ; J. B. Nixon,
P. M. ; W. Bros. S. Davison, P. M. ; J. W. O'Hara, P. M.
- No. 329. *King Solomon Lodge, Jarvis.*
R. W. Bro. T. L. M. Tipton, Proxy.
- No. 330. *Corinthian Lodge, London East.*
W. Bros. F. W. Lilley, W. M. ; C. N. Spencer, P. M.
- No. 331. *Fordwich Lodge, Fordwich.*
V. W. Bro. E. E. Wade, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 332. *Stratford Lodge, Stratford.*
W. Bro. J. J. Moore, W. M. ; V. W. Bro. Ichabod Baker,
P. M.
- No. 336. *Highgate Lodge, Highgate.*
W. Bro. B. Payne, Proxy.
- No. 337. *Myrtle Lodge, Port Robinson.*
R. W. Bro. I. P. Willson, Proxy
- No. 339. *Orient Lodge, Don Mount.*
W. Bros. Jas. Hewitt, W. M. ; Ira. Bates, P. M. ; J. K. Leslie,
P. M.
- No. 340. *St. John's Lodge, Pittsburg.*
R. W. Bro. Rev. John Gallagher, W. M.
- No. 344. *Merrill Lodge, Dorchester Station.*
R. W. Bro. J. S. Dewar, Proxy.
- No. 345. *Nilestown Lodge, Nilestown.*
W. Bro. A. E. Cooper, Proxy.
- No. 346. *The Occident Lodge, Toronto.*
W. Bro. H. E. Kent, W. M.
- No. 348. *Georgian Lodge, Penetanguishene.*
V. W. Bro. Hy. Jennings, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 349. *Elgin Lodge, St. Thomas.*
W. Bro. S. Dubber, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 352. *Granite Lodge, Parry Sound.*
R. W. Bro. John Nettleton, Proxy.
- No. 354. *Brock Lodge, Cannington.*
V. W. Bro. J. M. Hait, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 357. *Waterdown Lodge, Waterdown.*
W. Bro. J. Anderson, W. M.
- No. 358. *Delaware Valley Lodge, Delaware.*
V. W. Bro. John Fitzallan, P. M., Proxy.

- No. 360. *Muskoka Lodge, Bracebridge.*
W. Bro. R. Mills, W. M.
- No. 361. *Waverley Lodge, Guelph.*
W. Bro. T. S. Petrie, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 362. *Maple Leaf Lodge, Tara.*
W. Bro. H. W. Hicks, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 366. *Euclid Lodge, Strathroy.*
W. Bros. Geo. McBeth, W. M.; B. Payne, P. M.
- No. 367. *St George Lodge, Toronto.*
W. Bro. W. J. Guy, W. M.; Bro. L. B. Montgomery, J. W.;
V. W. Bro. J. A. Wills, P. M.; W. Bro. A. G. Horwood, P. M.
- No. 368. *Salem Lodge, Brockville.*
W. Bro. T. A. Stayner, W. M.; Bros. P. W. Broderick, S. W.;
G. W. McEathron, J. W.; R. W. Bros. J. W. Pickup, P. M.;
James Reynolds, P. M.; W. L. Hamilton, P. M.; W. Bro.
Geo. Gale, P. M.
- No. 369. *Mimico Lodge, Lambton.*
W. Bro. J. D. Evans, P. M., Proxy; R. W. Bros. J. Ross
Robertson, P. M.; R. L. Patterson, P. M.
- No. 370. *Harmony Lodge, Delta.*
W. Bros. Omer Brown, W. M.; J. M. Sinclair, P. M.
- No. 371. *Prince of Wales Lodge, Ottawa.*
W. Bro. W. Northwood, W. M.; Bro. J. B. Wright, J. W.
- No. 372. *Palmer Lodge, Victoria.*
W. Bro. Rob't Moore, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 373. *Copestone Lodge, Welland.*
R. W. Bro. I. P. Willson, W. M.
- No. 374. *Keene Lodge, Keene.*
W. Bros. J. M. Shaw, W. M.; R. Prout, P. M.; H. J.
English, P. M.
- No. 375. *Lorne Lodge, Omemee.*
W. Bro. J. W. Wallace, Proxy.
- No. 377. *Lorne Lodge, Shelburne.*
W. Bro. F. A. Campbell, W. M.
- No. 379. *Middlesex Lodge, Bryanston.*
R. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford, Proxy.
- No. 380. *Union Lodge, London.*
W. Bro. A. C. Stewart, W. M.; Bros. R. B. Walker, S. W.;
Jas. Learn, J. W.; R. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford, P. M.
- No. 382. *Doric Lodge, Hamilton.*
W. Bro. T. Irwin, P. M., Proxy; R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason,
P. M.
- No. 384. *Alpha Lodge, Parkdale.*
V. W. Bro. Geo. Tait, Proxy.
- No. 387. *Lansdowne Lodge, Lansdowne.*
W. Bro. J. A. Bradley, W. M.

- No. 388. *Henderson Lodge, Ilderton.*
R. W. Bro J. S Dewar, Proxy.
- No. 389. *Crystal Fountain Lodge, North Augusta.*
W. Bros. Jas. Langstaff, P. M. ; John Chapinan, P. M.
- No. 390. *Florence Lodge, Florence.*
R. W. Bro. R. M. Stewart, Proxy.
- No. 391. *Howard Lodge, Ridgetown.*
W. Bro. J. A. C. Anderson, P. M., Proxy.
- No. 392. *Huron Lodge, Camlachie.*
V. W. Bro. J. Newell, Proxy.
- No. 393. *Forest Lodge, Chesley.*
R. W. Bro. J. F. H. Gunn, Proxy.
- No. 394. *King Solomon's Lodge, Thamesford.*
W. Bro. M. Walsh, Proxy.
- No. 395. *Parvaim Lodge, Comber.*
R. W. Bro. R. M. Stewart, Proxy.
- No. 396. *Cedar Lodge, Wiarton.*
W. Bro. H. W. Hicks, W. M.
- No. 399. *Moffat Lodge, Harrietsville.*
R. W. Bro. L. Slater, Proxy.
- No. 401. *Craig Lodge, Deseronto.*
W. Bro. R. Geddes, P. M., Proxy ; R. W. Bro. D. Ross, P. M.
- No. 403. *Windsor Lodge, Windsor.*
W. Bro. Geo. D. Adams, W. M. ; R. W. Bro. J. E. D'Avignon, P. M.
- No. 404. *Lorne Lodge, Tamworth.*
W. Bro. G. M. Richardson, W. M.
- No. 405. *Mattawa Lodge, Mattawa.*
W. Bro. W. Hogarth, W. M. ; Bro. R. A. Klock, J. W.
- No. 406. *The Spry Lodge, Fenelon Falls.*
W. Bro. A. S. Hart, W. M.
- No. 408. *Murray Lodge, Beaverton.*
W. Bro. T. W. Chappell, Proxy.
- No. 409. *Golden Rule Lodge, Gravenhurst.*
V. W. Bro. W. B. Irving, W. M.
- No. 410. *Zeta Lodge, Parkdale.*
W. Bro. C. F. Mansell, W. M. ; Bros. W. H. Taylor, S. W. ;
W. R. Cavell, J. W. ; R. W. Bros. T. Sargent, P. M. ; G. J. Bennett, P. M. ; V. W. Bro. G. G. Rowe, P. M.
- No. 413. *Naphtali Lodge, Tilbury Centre.*
W. Bro. J. A. C. Anderson, Proxy.
- No. 414. *Pequonga Lodge, Rat Portage*
M. W. Bro. D. Spry, Proxy.
- No. 416. *Lyn Lodge, Lyn.*
W. Bro. N. H. Fields, W. M. ; Bros. C. W. Bullock, S. W. ;
R. P. Boyd, J. W.

The M. W. the Grand Master granted permission for the admission of all Master Masons in good standing, as visitors.

The Grand Secretary read the rules and regulations for the government of Grand Lodge during time of business.

The Grand Secretary commenced reading the minutes of proceedings at the last Annual Communication, when

It was moved by M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, seconded by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, and

Resolved,—That the minutes of the proceedings of Grand Lodge at its Thirty-First Annual Communication, held at the Town of Windsor, on 14th and 15th days of July, A. D. 1886, having been printed, and copies thereof forwarded to Subordinate Lodges, the same be considered as read and now confirmed, and that the minutes of the several Special Communications of Grand Lodge, entered by the Grand Secretary in the Minute Book, be taken as read, and are hereby confirmed.

Grand Lodge having been called from labor, the following addresses of welcome were presented :

1. By the Municipal Corporation of the town of Brockville.

ADDRESS.

To Henry Robertson, Esq., L. L. B., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and to the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Canada.

GENTLEMEN :—

As Mayor and head of the Corporation of the Town of Brockville, allow me to extend to you on behalf of the citizens of this place, a most sincere and hearty welcome ; assuring you that we are not only well pleased but also highly favored by your Honorable Grand Lodge selecting our town as one of the most desirable places suitable for holding its Annual Meeting.

As I am not a Brother Mason I cannot speak from personal knowledge or experience of the great benefit your Order has been to the world and your fellow-men, but this much I do know, many of our prominent citizens are members of the Institution, and if the objects and motives of your Order were not for

good and worthy purposes they would not be connected with the same.

SIRS,—I hope that during your sojourn here, legislating for the guidance and advancement of your Order throughout the Province of Ontario for the coming year, you will one and all feel that you are not in a strange place, and among strangers, but at home; and if not with all Brothers of the Brotherhood, at least with warm kind friends.

Trusting that when you have finished the work and performed the duties you have assembled here to accomplish, and have returned to your various homes, throughout this bright and happy country of ours, you will carry away with you kind feelings and pleasing recollections of the profitable and pleasant time you have spent here with your Brother Masons and citizens of our town, so that in fact this session, which is now being held in the Jubilee Year of our Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, will prove to be the pleasantest and the best since the organization of your Ancient and Honored Institution.

Bidding you once more a hearty welcome to Brockville,

I am, yours most respectfully,

GEORGE A. DANA,

Mayor of Brockville.

2. By the Brockville members of the Independent Order of Oddfellows.

ADDRESS.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada.

The undersigned Secretaries respectively of Brock Lodge, No. 9 and St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 137 of the Independent Order of Oddfellows in Brockville, on behalf of those Lodges, and of the Order here, desire to welcome your august and honorable body to our town, and to express the hope that your Annual Communication may be attended with pleasure to the several members of your institution, and result in profit and advantage to Free Masonry.

We are directed to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a resolution passed by our Lodges severally, and to say that in accordance therewith, our lodge room, ante rooms, committee rooms and furniture will be at your disposal and service during your approaching session.

A. Y. KENDALL,

Rec. Secretary, Brock Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F.

H. B. COATES,

Secretary, St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 137, I. O. O. F.

Resolved,—That the members of Brock Lodge and St. Lawrence Lodges, I. O. O. F. agreeing, do cordially extend to the Masonic Fraternity the use of the Oddfellows Hall as a Committee Room if required on the occasion of their meeting in Brockville in July.

Grand Lodge having been called to labor :—

3. By the members of the Craft in Brockville and vicinity :—

ADDRESS.

To Henry Robertson, Esq., L. L. B., Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada.

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR,—The members of the Craft residing in Brockville and its vicinity desire to bid you, and through you all the members of the Grand Lodge, a sincere and hearty welcome to our town on this, the occasion of your Annual Communication.

In this memorable year when the Jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty (whom may God ever guard and protect) is being observed with such loyalty and heartfelt enthusiasm everywhere throughout her Dominions, Masons are reminded of the proud fact that the son of our beloved Queen, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, is our Brother and the Grand Master of our Order in England. We in this vicinity are also reminded of the fact that the Senior Lodge in our town, and one of the oldest in this Province, bears the name of our Sovereign's uncle, His Royal Highness, the late Duke of Sussex.

May the peace which is indicated by the name of the othe

Lodge in our Town "Salem" pervade our Order, and prevail everywhere.

To you Most Worshipful Sir, our Grand Master, we feel that we but voice the earnest desire of every member of the Order in Canada in saying that we trust you may ever be blessed with health and endowed with wisdom to discharge the duties of your high and honorable office.

To the Officers and Members of Grand Lodge we tender (through you) our congratulations on the prosperity which has ever attended the Grand Lodge of Canada, and we earnestly pray that the Great Architect of the Universe may continue to bless and prosper your deliberations and our beloved Order.

THOMAS W. SPARHAM,
Master of Sussex Lodge, No. 5.

THOMAS ALLEN STAYNOR,
Master of Salem Lodge, No. 368.

The addresses were severally suitably acknowledged by the M. W. the Grand Master.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

R. W. Bro. Henry Griffith, Grand Senior Warden, and R. W. Bro. A. G. Adams, Past Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, were announced, introduced and saluted with GRAND HONORS.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master delivered the following address to the Brethren assembled in the Grand Communication :—

BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE OF CANADA :

I welcome you to the thirty-second Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge. Assembling from all parts of our beautiful Province, leaving our homes and business pursuits, we meet for the purpose of furthering the interests of our beloved fraternity. Zealous devotion to the institution we represent, should actuate all our motives, and the ancient tenets and principles of the craft should receive at our hands the most practical exemplification.

Since its formation, our Grand Lodge has pursued a career of uninterrupted success and prosperity. The representatives of former years have acted and legislated wisely and well, and I have no doubt their successors are equally well-skilled and earnest in sustaining the enviable reputation already enjoyed by the Grand Lodge of Canada.

CONDITION OF THE CRAFT.

Through the favor and mercy of the Grand Architect of the Universe, I rejoice that I am enabled to report to you that the condition of the craft in the Province of Ontario is one of the greatest harmony and prosperity. During the year that has passed, our numbers have increased, new lodges have been organized, new temples have been erected and dedicated, the work has improved and more than the usual relief has been extended to the suffering.

QUEEN VICTORIA.

Our gratitude is also due to the Father of All for the great blessings of peace and comfort bestowed upon our country. The year 1887 possesses a peculiar interest for us as Freemasons. Loyalty and devotion to our Sovereign and fidelity to our country are leading principles in our order. Our Queen is endeared to us not only for her many personal virtues, not only because of her fidelity to the constitution under which she has so wisely reigned, but also because of her many acts of kindness and sympathy towards the poor and suffering, and for the support and help she has always afforded in times and occasions when human charity was essentially needed.

She has further claims upon the craft from her Masonic associations. Her Royal ancestors have been Patrons of the fraternity. Seventeen of the Princes of blood royal of England have been Freemasons. Our gracious Sovereign is the daughter of a Freemason, her uncles were Freemasons, her sons are Freemasons, and she has a grandson who is also a member of our order.

During the fifty years of her reign, greater progress has been made in all branches of industry and science than ever before. Freemasonry has shared in the general prosperity and I heartily recommend that an address should be presented by the Grand Lodge to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, to assure her of the continued devotion and loyalty of the Freemasons of Canada to her throne and person, and to congratulate her upon the completion of the jubilee year of her reign. God Save the Queen.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Our relations with other Grand Lodges continue to be of the most kindly and fraternal character. In my visits to the neighboring republic I was rejoiced to find that the Grand Lodge of Canada had attained a very high reputation among its compeers, and that those who had investigated the subject were full of admiration for our methods of transacting business, our organization of districts, the board of general purposes, and particularly our praiseworthy system of practical benevolence, which is surpassed by no other Grand Lodge on this continent.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

The following Grand Representatives have been appointed during the year:—From the Grand Lodge of Arkansas, R. W. Bro. J. C. Hegler, in place of R. W. Bro. A. J. Cambie, deceased; from the Grand Lodge of Dakota, R. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, in place of R. W. Bro. J. G. Burns, deceased; from the Grand Lodge of Iowa, R. W. Bro. J. H. Widdifield, in place of R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, whose term had expired and who declined a re-appointment; from the Grand Lodge of Kansas, R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, re-appointed; from the Grand Lodge of Vermont, R. W. Bro. DeWitt H. Martyn, in place of R. W. Bro. A. J. Cambie, deceased; from the Grand Lodge of Victoria, R. W. Bro. Wm. Gibson, in place of R. W. Bro. Robert Ramsay, deceased; near the Grand Lodge of Kansas, M. W. Bro. Joseph D. McCleverty, P. G. M., in place of R. W. Bro. E. T. Carr, who declined a re-appointment.

MASONIC CONVENTION.

By invitation I attended a Masonic Convention, held at Chicago, on the 22nd, 23rd and 24th days of June, 1887. The convention was composed of Grand Masters and Past Grand Masters, and was called for consultation and advice on various Masonic matters. Among the subjects which were discussed were the following:

“What is a legal avouchment?”

“The physical qualifications of candidates.”

“The prerogatives of the Grand Master.”

“Perpetual jurisdiction over rejected candidates.”

“Grand Lodge sovereignty,” etc., etc.

The attendance was not large, but the proceedings and discussions were exceedingly interesting and instructive. No one present favored the idea of a general Grand Lodge, and a resolution was passed strongly upholding the doctrine of the absolute supremacy of Grand Lodges in their several jurisdictions.

The question of perpetual jurisdiction over rejected candidates was strongly argued on both sides, but the weight of opinion and argument was decidedly against that doctrine.

On physical qualifications, the rule was stated to be that a candidate who was physically capable of complying literally with all the requirements of the degrees was eligible to admission.

On avouchment, the prevailing sentiment was that no brother should vouch for a visitor, unless he had sat with him in a regular lodge or had examined him as one of a committee appointed by the Master for that purpose.

It has been proposed that these meetings should be continued annually, and in my opinion great good would result therefrom, in the advisory settlement of disputed questions of inter-jurisdictional interest, in the knowledge obtained of improved methods of conducting our Masonic work and in the more complete development of fraternal intercourse. It afforded me much pleasure to extend to these distinguished brethren an invitation to hold their next meeting in the City of Toronto.

GENERAL MASONIC RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

A body under the name of the General Masonic Relief Association has been formed to protect the craft from the knavery of Masonic imposters, who make a business of travelling through the country, trading upon the well-known benevolence of our brethren and lodges. From the good work already performed by this association in the detection of these frauds, I am satisfied that it deserves to be encouraged and assisted. The Vice-President of the association, R. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, will be happy to furnish all the required details of the work they have performed and of their method of operation.

VISITATIONS.

Official visits have been made by me to the following lodges:—Barton, No 6, Hamilton; Ionic, No. 25, Toronto; Manito, No. 90, Collingwood; Corinthian, No. 96, Barrie; Petrolia, No. 194, Petrolia; Stevenson, No. 218, Toronto; Ionic, No. 229, Brampton; Kerr, No. 230, Barrie; Washington, No. 260, Petrolia; Robertson, No. 292, Nobleton, and Pnyx, No. 312, Wallaceburg.

I regret very much that through illness and other causes I was unable to accept the many kind invitations I received to visit other lodges. The cordiality with which I was entertained upon all occasions where I was privileged to visit and the

unvarying kindness and courtesy bestowed upon the Grand Master was very pleasant and evidenced the loyalty of the brethren to their chief officer.

On February 18th, 1887, I dedicated the new Masonic Hall at Brampton. On June 28th, 1887, I laid the corner-stone of a new Masonic Temple for the lodges in Petrolia. On July 1st, 1887, at the invitation of the Public School Board to Pnyx Lodge, No. 312, I laid the corner-stone of a new public school building at Wallaceburg. On all these occasions there was a large attendance of the craft and great interest was manifested in the ceremonies.

I have also received reports of the following ceremonies performed in my name and at my request, namely: The constitution, consecration and dedication of Rodney Lodge, No. 411, and Naphtali Lodge, No. 413, by R. W. Bro. R. M. Stuart, D. D. G. M., and the consecration and dedication of the new halls of Craig Lodge, No. 401, by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, D. G. M., of Thistle Lodge, No. 34, McColl Lodge, No. 386, Florence Lodge, No. 390, and Howard Lodge, No. 391, by R. W. Bro. R. M. Stuart, D. D. G. M., of St. George Lodge, No. 243, by R. W. Bro. Wm. Kerns, D. D. G. M., of Cedar Lodge, No. 396, by R. W. Bro. J. F. H. Gunn, of Mattawa Lodge, No. 405, by R. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, D. D. G. M., and of Crystal Fountain Lodge, No. 389, North Augusta, by R. W. Bro. A. L. Riddel.

NEW LODGES.

Dispensations have been issued for new lodges at Maxville, in the County of Glengarry, at Keewatin Mills, Algoma District, and at Point Edward, in the County of Lambton. I also at the request of the Grand Lodge continued the dispensations for Fort William Lodge, Fort William, Algoma District, and Lyn Lodge, Lyn, in the County of Leeds. Dispensations were applied for to open new lodges at Woburn and Pickering, which were refused.

AMALGAMATION OF LODGES.

Negotiations for the amalgamation of Faithful Brethren Lodge, No. 77, and King Hiram Lodge, No. 89, Lindsay, were in progress prior to the last Annual Communication, and have since then been satisfactorily concluded.

WARRANTS SURRENDERED.

During the past year, the warrants of Hanover Lodge, No. 301, Hanover, Port Elgin Lodge, No. 350, Port Elgin, and North Star Lodge, No. 365, Roseneath, were surrendered.

RITUAL.

At the last communication of Grand Lodge, I appointed as a committee to advise with me on questions relating to the ritual, all the Past Grand Masters and the Deputy Grand Master. From the reports which reached me from all the District Deputy Grand Masters and other brethren, as to the condition of the lodges with regard to the accuracy of the work, I deemed it necessary to summon a special meeting of that committee. This meeting was held at Hamilton on the 22nd and 23rd days of March last. The action then taken has been communicated to the lodges and I trust that the measures which have been adopted will secure a greater degree of uniformity in the rendition of our beautiful ritual and also prove satisfactory to the body of the craft.

In accordance with the resolution of Grand Lodge in 1884, arrangements have been made to have an exemplification of the work at this session. The officers of Zeta Lodge, No. 410, of Parkdale, one of our youngest lodges, have kindly undertaken this duty and I heartily thank them for their cheerful and ready compliance with my request.

ROYAL SOLOMON MOTHER LODGE.

In answer to certain queries which were submitted by our Royal Solomon Mother Lodge at Jerusalem, and which were referred to me by the Board of General Purposes, I directed the Grand Secretary to reply as follows :—"That a brother who acknowledges and professes a belief in the Grand Architect of the Universe, and who acknowledges this belief to be an essential landmark of the order, and who was made a Masor in a lodge holding under the Grand Orient of France before the Grand Orient altered its constitution as to that belief, may be admitted to any lodge under the Grand Registry of Canada.

"A petition for a new lodge should be signed by such brothers only as can come under the above rule.

"The Royal Solomon Mother Lodge may receive petitions for affiliation from, and may admit as members, brothers who come within the terms of the above rule, as applicable to Masons of French origin or that of any other Grand Jurisdiction."

INVASION OF JURISDICTION.

In September last, a resident of Toronto was made a Mason in a lodge in Montreal. Immediately on this being brought to my notice, I wrote to the M. W., the Grand Master of Quebec, J. Fred. Walker, Esq., and he very promptly suspended the Master of the Lodge and ordered that no more degrees

should be conferred upon the candidate. The Grand Lodge of Quebec, at their meeting in January, approved the action of the Grand Master. After making full enquiry, I found that the brother so initiated was of excellent character and reputation and good material for our Masonic building. He has since been "healed" by my order and is now a member of one of our lodges. Our thanks are due to the M. W. the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of Quebec for their prompt and ready action in this matter.

PEQUONGA LODGE, RAT PORTAGE.

Pequonga Lodge at Rat Portage duly surrendered its warrant to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and a warrant was issued to the brethren of that lodge, free of charge, as directed by Grand Lodge at its last communication.

OBITUARY.

The deaths of the following prominent brethren have been reported :—R. W. Bro. A. J. Cambie, P. G. J. W., of Ottawa ; R. W. Bro. J. G. Burns, P. D. D. G. M., of Toronto ; V. W. Bro. E. H. Thompson, Grand Steward, of Niagara ; V. W. Bro. J. F. Clarke, P. G. S. D., Port Arthur ; and M. W. Bro. T. T. Gurney, P. G. M., of Illinois.

Bro. Burns will be remembered as an old and efficient member of Grand Lodge and of the Board of General Purposes.

Bro. Gurney visited us at Windsor last year, and many of us will remember his kindly ways and thorough devotion to our order. He was highly esteemed as an able and learned brother and his loss will be deeply regretted.

COMMISSIONS APPOINTED.

Re Minister vs. Langton et al.

At the last communication of Grand Lodge, a resolution was passed, (proc. 1886, p. 138), that this case should be fully investigated. The charge was that the acting officers of King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22, had made a false declaration of the ballot on the petitions of four candidates for initiation. On August 7th, 1886, I appointed R. W. Bros. R. T. Walkem, J. M. Gibson and J. C. Hegler as a commission to investigate the charge made, take the evidence and report to me.

The report of this commission, with the evidence, was duly received and referred by me to the Board of General Purposes. The papers will be laid before you for such action as you may deem advisable.

Re Brownson vs. Amity Lodge, No. 32.

Serious charges having been made by Bro. A. Brownson against Amity Lodge, No. 32, I appointed a commission in April last, consisting of M. W. Bros. James Seymour and Hugh Murray and R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, to investigate the same. Due notice was given to the parties, but as the prosecutor did not furnish the details of his charge until July 4th, the commission have not been able to proceed with the investigation.

ADMISSION OF VISITORS.

I have to call your attention again to the necessity of exercising the greatest caution in the admission of visitors. A case occurred in April last, in which a person gained admission to one of our lodges by falsely pretending to hail from a lodge in Michigan. After visiting for several months he applied for affiliation, and was balloted for and accepted.

The Master afterwards discovered the fraud and got a written acknowledgment of all the facts from the party concerned. On the matter being brought to my notice, I ordered the Grand Secretary to communicate to the lodge my declaration that the said party, having obtained his admission by fraud and deceit, was not and never had been a member of that lodge, and that his name should be erased from their list of members, his fees returned and future admission denied.

I also ordered the issue of a circular to the lodges, giving further instructions to Masters and Boards of Trial on this most important subject.

JOINT PROCESSIONS, ETC.

Several applications have been made to me to allow Masons to appear in public as such, jointly with other societies, and also to allow the use of Masonic halls jointly with other societies, all of which I felt myself compelled to refuse.

Our institution is not for show, and I understand the rule to be imperative that only on strictly Masonic occasions should our brethren appear in public clothed with the badges of the order.

Our halls also are solemnly dedicated and consecrated to the service of the craft and should not be used by any other body or persons who are not members of the fraternity.

CANVASSING FOR MEMBERS.

A word of caution seems to be needed to our younger brethren with regard to canvassing for members. It should

be distinctly understood that the solicitation of any person to join our ranks is a serious Masonic offence, whether it be done by members or officers of the lodges or by the lodge as a body. I have seen a lodge summons with a suggestive and very improper note at the bottom, indicating that some efforts should be made to increase the membership. I immediately stopped this practice in that quarter, and I sincerely hope that no future occasion may arise, when it would be necessary, by strong measures, to prevent the repetition of this very serious offence.

MASONIC HALLS.

The large number of new halls that have been consecrated and dedicated during the past year affords us material for sincere congratulation. * Others are in course of erection and these lodges are entitled to hearty commendation for their praiseworthy efforts to improve their surroundings. A Mason's lodge is his home and it should be made attractive and comfortable and in keeping with the standing and reputation of the fraternity. More might be done in this direction, and it is to be hoped the example, which has been so largely displayed during the past year may stimulate others to go and do like wise.

EARTHQUAKE AT CHARLESTON.

In September last I received an intimation from the Grand Master of South Carolina, that the ruin and devastation caused by the earthquake in that city was widespread and almost universal, that more than half of the population was homeless, and that help was urgently needed by our brethren. After consultation with the President of the Board, and the Chairman of Benevolence, I recommended that a contribution of \$400.00 be sent on behalf of the brethren of this jurisdiction, the receipt of which was gratefully acknowledged.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The hearty thanks of the whole body of the craft are certainly due to the Right Worshipful brethren who have this year filled the important and responsible position of District Deputy Grand Masters. A more efficient, zealous and earnest body of officers has never come under my notice than those of the past year. They have been indefatigable in their exertions for the benefit of the order.

In the visitation of lodges, dedication of halls, exemplification of the work, holding lodges of instruction, and in the settlement of disputes, their services have been invaluable. Their reports to the Grand Master have been frequent and full

of information, and I desire to express to them my gratitude for their assistance to me in many particulars and in thus lightening the labors connected with my office.

My thanks are also due to R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, Deputy Grand Master, for his valuable assistance during the year, and more particularly to your faithful and efficient Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, who has discharged the various duties of his important office in a manner that could not be excelled.

CONCLUSION.

Brethren :—Placed, by your kind partiality, one year ago, in this high and responsible position, it has been my aim to discharge the duties of the office conscientiously and with due regard to the interests of the whole fraternity. I may not have fulfilled your expectations, but I have earnestly endeavored to deserve your confidence. The state of my health during a portion of the year prevented me from meeting with my brethren as frequently as I wished to do, and this, I trust, will be found sufficient excuse for my apparent shortcomings in that direction.

Masonry, I may be permitted to say, has been a life's work with me, and to it I have devoted the best years of my manhood. Initiated over a quarter of a century ago, I have ever since been continually engaged in some department of Masonic labor. That my services have been so well recognized by my brethren is a source to me of the most sincere gratification.

Our glorious fraternity is an institution that may well call forth the best energies and devotion of all its members. Noble in its character, noble in its objects, noble in its great work of beneficence and unequalled in its antiquity and duration, it is peerless among all human organizations, and I pray the Grand Architect of the Universe, that it may be further blessed and prospered in its future career.

HENRY ROBERTSON,

GRAND MASTER.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, and

Resolved,—That the address of the W. M. the Grand Master be referred to the Board of General Purposes to report thereon.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, and

Resolved,—That the reports from the various District Deputy Grand Masters be received, considered as read, and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—In accordance with constitutional requirements, I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in the First District, and, in so doing, I wish first to express my thankfulness to the Most High for his loving kindness to me during the year, in giving me health and strength and enabling me to carry out the responsible duties of the high office.

During the year I have had the pleasure of visiting each of my 23 lodges once and have been privileged to visit several of them oftener.

I have had the honor of acting on behalf of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master at the constitution of Rodney Lodge, No. 411, Rodney ; and Naphtali Lodge, No. 413, Tilbury Centre. At the constitution of the first-named, on September 9th, 1886, I was assisted by W. Bro. J. A. C. Anderson and W. Bro. T. W. Kirkpatrick ; and at Tilbury Centre I had the assistance of R. W. Bro. W. Milner, and W. Bros. Anderson, Harris and Bottoms. I have in addition to dedicating the lodge rooms for the above named lodges, consecrated and dedicated to the use of Masonry, rooms for the following, viz : At Ridgetown, March 7th, assisted by V. W. Bro. Watson, W. Bros. Paine, Anderson, Young, Cochrane, Eansor, Ridley, Carpenter, Duck, Rushton, Davy, Decow, Halfpenny, McKay, Middleditch and Bingham. We had on this occasion a very large attendance, besides the W. Brethren named above, there being members present from twelve lodges. We endeavored to give light on a good many points, such as the Grand Honors, (public and private), examination of visitors, proper questions before passing and raising, physical qualification required of candidates, and we had excellent exemplifications of the 1st and 3rd degrees by Wor. Bros. J. A. C. Anderson and B. Paine.

Our second lodge of instruction was held at Florence, on the 7th day of April, the following Wor. Brethren, together with a goodly number of their members being present, viz : W. Bros. Switzer, Trotter, Lawrence, Rheintgen, Norton, Johnson, Avery, Davidson and Langford. In addition to answering any questions, relative to the work, we had an

exemplification by W. Bros. Switzer, Trotter and Lawrence, assisted by several other brethren.

The third lodge was held at West Lorne, assisted by W. Bros. Anderson, Paine, Stalker, McFate, McLean and Middleditch, when for the second time during my official year, Wor. Bro. B. Paine accepted the gavel, and assisted by several of the brethren gave a very correct and beautiful rendering of the sublime degree of Masonry.

As well as the instructions were given at these meetings, I felt in duty bound, when time and circumstances allowed it, during my visits to give as much personal explanation and tuition as possible, and by this means endeavor to make the work uniform throughout the District.

I regret to say that I have not found that exactness in the work that I would like to see, but have endeavored in all kindness to correct mistakes.

The degrees are conferred in most of the Lodges by the W. M's, but I have found four Lodges in which the P. M's do the work. A majority of Lodges are in a prosperous state, some are getting along fairly well, and three of them, according to my opinion, would be better if they amalgamated with neighbouring Lodges.

With regard to Bothwell Lodge No. 179, I have had considerable correspondence and have visited the town twice in their interest, and after a careful study of the whole matter would recommend that the warrant be recalled. This may appear rather harsh, but it is the *wisest* course to pursue as there is not the slightest prospect of ever making a good working Lodge of it, and I have good grounds to believe that had the warrant been recalled 3 or 4 years ago, the cause of Masonry would be in a much better position than we find it to-day in Bothwell and vicinity.

APPEALS.

At the last Session of the Grand Lodge, it was resolved, in the appeal case of McGuire vs. Middleditch (34) that it be referred to me for investigation, and such action as might be found necessary or desirable.

Shortly after Bro. R. J. Halle appealed to me against the action of Parthenon Lodge No. 267.

In both cases, I caused certified copies of the charges, papers, procedure and evidence to be laid before me, and also visited the places in which the lodges to which the brethren involved are held, and after a very careful study of the whole matter, I, in accordance with Section 43, set aside the proceed-

ings and ordered new trials to be held in accordance with the Rules respecting trials for Masonic offences and proceedings thereon.

WARRANTS.

I beg leave to call yonr attention to the warrants held by some of our oldest lodges. On my examination I found some warrants with the old numbers on the margin, whereas others had the old number crossed and the present number written near it, and in one case I found a warrant without any number on the margin. I would respectfully suggest that the W. M. and Secretary of each Lodge be requested to send certified copy of the number on their warrant, and where they require correction, that the Grand Secretary be empowered to send for them and place the correct number thereon, and in every case where the number has or shall be changed, such change be verified by initials of the Grand Secretary.

The District was honored with a visit from our Most Worshipful Grand Master, on the 1st day of July, on which occasion Pnyx Lodge No. 312 of Wallaceburg, applied for a dispensation to appear in public clothed as Masons, at the laying of a corner stone for a new building to be used as a public school. There was a large gathering of the Craft who were pleased to have our Grand Master present to lay the stone, and the brethren of 312 kept up their reputation for hospitality and brotherly kindness by the handsome manner in which they entertained their guests.

LODGE ROOMS.

You will observe that of the 23 lodges, six have provided themselves with new halls during the year; several of the others had good rooms before, and there is only one lodge in the district that meets in uncomfortable quarters, and I am pleased to be able to say that when I visited them they were endeavoring to secure rooms that would be better adapted for lodge purposes and located in a more central locality, and I trust that before the snows of another winter the M. W. the Grand Master will be called upon to dedicate them for them.

DEATHS.

During the year the following brethren have been called upon to lay down their working tools and retire from labor by the great leveller, death:—Bro. Egbert Wizzell, Wellington Lodge, No. 46, Chatham; Bros. H. D. Stewart and Andrew Phillips, Great Western Lodge, No. 47, Windsor; Bro. C. G. Hicks, Sydenham Lodge, No. 255, Dresden; Bro. J. T.

Varley, Leamington Lodge, No. 290, Leamington; Bro. Thos. Craine, Pnyx Lodge, No. 312, Wallaceburgh; Bro. E. Amsden, Florence Lodge, No. 390, Florence; and Wor. Bro. Wm. Irwan, a P. M. of Leamington Lodge, No. 290, and a Mason of sixty years standing.

In the way of suggestions towards improvement, I would first ask the brethren to consider that portion of the ancient charges referring to our conduct towards each other, and would especially ask your careful perusal and study of the last clauses wherein we are charged to cultivate brotherly love, the foundation and cape stone, the cement and glory of this ancient fraternity, and in all cases where it is at all practicable to leave our differences in hands of kindly and sympathetic brethren for adjustment, never going to law with each other if it can by any fair means be avoided. Second, I would recommend that on every occasion when it does not interfere with your moral or religious duties, a prompt attention to your lodge meeting, thus aiding your Master and officers in the discharge of their duty.

Third, that every brother see that his dues do not run unpaid over six months, and that each Lodge be urged by Grand Lodge, to carry out their by-laws with reference to suspension for N. P. D. I firmly believe, that the Lodges that act promptly and in a businesslike manner, are the ones in which the members make it a point to keep their dues paid, are the ones with funds in their treasury, and in which the members take the greatest interest.

And as a last suggestion, let me say a word to the rules of the Lodges who teach and ask candidates questions that are not regular, but pertain to the work of other jurisdictions.

While I admit that it is right and commendable for the brethren to know all they can of our Mystic Art, still we are bound by our obligations to practice pure and unsullied the work as exemplified by our Grand Lodge at its annual sessions, and I maintain that any question, answer, rite or ceremony other than those taught, are not to be, and should not be practiced within our portals.

When all have treated me so kindly, it seems hardly fair to particularize, yet I cannot let go unnoticed the royal reception I received at the hands of the Windsor brethren, on which occasion the meeting was graced by the presence of many distinguished in the craft, and especially by our true and trusty M. Wor. Bro. J. W. McGrath, P. G. M., of Michigan, and who favored us with a fraternal address. Before closing I desire in a word to thank every brother who by word or deed,

helped me during my official year, and I can assure you, I will remember with pleasure my trips through the First District, along the fertile plains of the Thames and Sydenham, through the hills and dales of West Middlesex and Elgin, beside the busy and beautiful Detroit River, and amongst the vine-clad fields and osage-orange hedges bordering Lake Erie.

With kindest wishes and the desire that when we shall be called from our earthly Lodge, it may be ours to hear the "Great Master" say, "Come ye blessed of my Father."

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. STUART,
D. D. G. M., Erie District, No. 1.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT, No. 2.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—I have the honor to submit my report for the Masonic year 1886-1887, on the condition of Masonry in the Second Masonic District.

During the past year I visited officially the 18 Lodges in my District and found them in a fairly healthy condition.

In the beginning of the year, I issued circulars to all the Lodges in my District, calling their attention to some points of importance, especially the collection of dues, and that I would require a report from them on the same at the end of the year.

My first official visit was December 27th, 1886, when I installed the officers of Petrolia Lodge, No. 194, and Washington Lodge, No. 260, at Petrolia. During my visits a large majority of the Lodges had work on hand, which was very well done. In some cases the officers and members wished me to confer the degrees, and when the request was made I complied with their wishes ; and when there was no work we spent the evening as a Lodge of instruction.

I held two Lodges of instruction during the year, the first in the Masonic Hall, in the Town of Sarnia, May 18th, 1887 ; and the second in the Masonic Hall, in the Town of Strathroy, May 19th, 1887, for W. Masters, P. Masters and Wardens only, and was well represented by most of the Lodges in the District. The same peace and harmony prevail throughout the Second District that has always characterized it.

Not a single complaint of any kind has been reported to me during the year, which proves that the brethren practice those excellent precepts that Freemasonry teaches.

We have been also blessed with health and prosperity. Only two deaths has been reported to me during the year, that of Bro. J. C. Diggins, of Euclid Lodge, No. 366, Strathroy, died January 14th, 1887, at Alpena, Michigan; and Bro. W. E. McCullough, of Washington Lodge, No. 260, Petrolia, died February 28th, 1887, at Los Angeles, California.

During the year I granted two dispensations to Lodges to attend divine service clothed as Masons: One to Beaver Lodge, No. 83, to attend divine service January 1st, 1887; and one to Alvinston Lodge to attend divine service June 26th, 1887. The fees for the same have been remitted to the Grand Secretary.

In May last a petition was presented to me by a number of brethren in Point Edward, asking that a new Lodge be instituted at that place. I forwarded the same to the Grand Secretary for the approval of the Grand Master. On June 10th I received a dispensation from the Grand Secretary; and on June 13th, the day appointed for their regular meeting, I opened a new Lodge called Point Edward Lodge under very favorable circumstances; a large number of brethren were present from Sarnia and neighboring Lodges. The new officers opened and closed in the three degrees and exemplified the work in the first degree, and they did it very correctly.

On the 28th of June, 1887, the corner-stone of a Masonic Temple was laid in the Town of Petrolia with Masonic ceremonies, and the brethren there had the pleasure of having M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, L. L. B., our highly esteemed Grand Master, present to conduct the proceedings, which he did in the presence of a very large number of brethren and other spectators. The Lodges throughout the District were well represented to do honor to the M. W. the G. M., and also to assist him.

The M. W. the G. M. conducted the beautiful ceremonies in a highly impressive manner, and won the esteem of all who were present. The Temple will be a handsome brick structure, three stories in height, and will cost about \$20,000.00.

The brethren of St. Clair District in general, and those of the Town of Petrolia in particular, trust that the M. W. the G. M. enjoyed this his first visit in the west, and hope that he may be induced to honor the District with another visit in the near future.

I herewith give a report of the several Lodges in the District and the business done during the year, from July 1886, to June 1887, both inclusive.

Victoria Lodge, No. 56, Sarnia : Visited February 8th, 1887. No. of meetings, 15 ; average attendance, 18. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues 2 years, \$12.00 ; 3 years, \$26 00 ; over 3 years \$12.00. Money in treasury, none. Rent hall. Initiated 3 ; passed 5 ; raised 5 ; affiliated 2 ; suspended 2.

St. John Lodge, No. 81, Mt. Brydges : Visited March 8th, 1887. No. of meetings, 14 ; average attendance, 22. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, \$8.00 ; 3 years, \$12.00. Money in treasury, \$50.00. Own their hall, valued at \$1,500. Initiated 1 ; passed 1 ; raised 1.

Beaver Lodge, No. 83, Strathroy : Visited March 11th, 1887. No. of meetings, 15 ; average attendance, 25. W. M. does the work. Money in treasury, \$246.00. Invested in security, \$339.00. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, \$87.00 ; 3 years, \$14.00. Rent hall. No work done during the year. Affiliated 1 ; suspended 1.

Cassia Lodge, No. 116, Thedford : Visited May 2nd, 1887. No. of meetings, 11 ; average attendance, 10. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 3 Bros. ; 3 years, 1 Bro. Money in treasury, \$296. Rent hall. Initiated 2 ; passed 2 ; raised 2 ; suspended 1.

Burns Lodge, No. 153, Wyoming : Visited June 2nd, 1887. No. of meetings, 12 ; average attendance, 11. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 5 Bros. ; 3 years, 1 Bro. ; over 3 years, 9 Bros. Money in treasury, \$42. Rent hall. Initiated 2 ; passed 2 ; raised 2 ; restored 1 ; demitted 1.

Alexandra Lodge, No. 158, Oil Springs : Visited May 12th, 1887. No. of meetings, 12 ; average attendance, 11. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, \$24 ; 3 years, \$37 ; over 3 years, \$19. Money in treasury \$50. Own their hall, valued at \$1,500. Initiated 2 ; passed 2 ; raised 1.

Petrolia Lodge, No. 194, Petrolia : Visited Dec. 27th, 1886. No. of meetings, 16 ; average attendance, 15. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 1 Bro. Money in treasury, \$200 ; invested on security, \$340. Rent hall. Initiated 3 ; passed 3 ; raised 2 ; affiliated 1 ; suspended 1.

Havelock Lodge, No. 238, Watford : Visited May 3rd, 1887. No. of meetings, 9 ; average attendance, 20. P. M. mostly does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 13 Bros. ; 3 years, 2 Bros. ; over 3 years, 6 Bros. Money in treasury, \$90. Rent hall. Initiated 2 ; passed 2 ; raised 1.

Washington Lodge, No. 260, Petrolia : Visited January 4th, 1887. No. of meetings, 11 ; average attendance, 16. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 10 Bros.; 3 years, 5 Bros.; over 3 years, 5 Bros. Money in treasury, \$182. Rent hall. Initiated 5; passed 5; raised 1; affiliated 2.

Forest Lodge, No. 263, Forest : Visited May 4th, 1887. No. of meetings, 14 ; average attendance, 25. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 2 Bros.; 3 years, none. Money in treasury, \$52. Rent hall. Initiated 3; passed 3; raised 3; affiliated 1.

Moore Lodge, No. 294, Mooretown : Visited March 3rd, 1887. No. of meetings, 11 ; average attendance, 12. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 6 Bros.; 3 years, 1 Bro. Money in treasury, \$66. Rent hall. Initiated 2; passed 2; raised 2; affiliated 1.

Arkona Lodge, No. 307, Arkona : Visited May 5th, 1887. No. of Meetings, 13 ; average attendance, 14. W. M. and P. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 1 Bro.; 3 years, 1 Bro.; over 3 years, 1 Bro. Money in treasury, none. Rent hall. Initiated 2; passed 2; raised 2; affiliated 1; suspended 1.

Alvinston Lodge, No. 323, Alvinston : Visited March 10th, 1887. No. of meetings, 14 ; average attendance, 15. W. M. absent, P. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 2 Bros.; 3 years, 1 Bro. Money in treasury, \$90. Own their hall, valued at \$1,200. Initiated 9; passed 5; raised 4; affiliated 2.

Ionic Lodge, No. 328, Napier : Visited May 6th, 1887. No. of meetings, 10 ; average attendance, 12. W. M. can do the work. Money in treasury, \$47. Own their hall, valued at \$1,000. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 11 Bros.; 3 years, 5 Bros.; over 3 years, 2 Bros. No work done during the year.

Dufferin Lodge, No. 364, Melbourne : Visited March 9th, 1887, No. of meetings, 12 ; average attendance, 8. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 4 Bros. Money in treasury, \$31. Own their hall, valued at \$1,000. Initiated 2; passed 1; raised 2; affiliated 1; suspended 6.

Euclid Lodge, No. 366, Strathroy : Visited March 11th, 1887. No. of meetings, 16 ; average attendance, 14. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 5 Bros.; 3 years, 2 Bros.; over 3 years, 1 Bro. Money in treasury, \$30. Rent hall. Initiated 3; passed 2; raised 2; affiliated 1.

Huron Lodge, No. 392, Camlachie : Visited February 9th, 1887. No. of meetings, 12 ; average attendance, 14. W. M.

does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, \$18; 3 years, \$15; over 3 years, \$19. Money in treasury, \$87; invested on security, \$80. Rent hall. Initiated 1; passed 1.

Leopold Lodge, No. 397, Brigden: Visited May 10th, 1887. No. of meetings, 12; average attendance, 11. W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues, 2 years, 7 Bros.; 3 years, 4 Bros.; over 3 years, 3 Bros. Money in treasury, \$50. Rent hall. Initiated 3; passed 3; raised 4.

I find that the Lodges are well supplied with the necessary books, which are very fairly kept.

In retiring from the position of D. D. G. M., I desire to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of the Second Masonic District for the many acts of kindness I have received at their hands, and for the liberal manner they contributed towards my travelling expenses and personal comfort. And I can assure my successor that he will receive the same kindness and liberal support that I have received. I hope that the peace and harmony that have marked this District in the past, will continue in the future. And I assure you that I shall always remember with pleasure the two years that I occupied the office of D. D. G. M. of St. Clair District.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

JOHN SINCLAIR.

D. D. G. M. St. Clair District, No. 2.

Petrolia, July 4th, 1887.

LONDON DISTRICT, No. 3.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—In accordance with the requirements of the constitution of the Grand Lodge, I have the honor to submit this my first annual report on the condition of Masonry in the Third Masonic District.

There are 29 Lodges in this District as now formed, and known as the Third Masonic District, and during the year I have visited officially every Lodge, and generally I have found the Lodge rooms and the furniture comfortable and appropriate for the proper exemplification of the beautiful work of our order, which in almost every case is carried out in strict conformity to that laid down by this Grand Lodge.

I commenced to visit the Lodges in the District in which I have the honor to be elected to represent the Grand Master on October 7th, 1886.

My first official visit was to St. Thomas Lodge, No. 44, and saw the Third Degree conferred by the P. M., the W. M. being absent and also the S. W. The Subordinate Officers were in their respective places; the work was done moderately well; the Lodge is in good financial standing, and the books are well kept, and they meet in one of the best Masonic Temples in the west, and for which they pay a net rent of \$95 per annum and taxes. They are assessed on \$1,800 and are insured. Number of members on the roll, 108; average attendance, 16.

Nov. 1, 1886.—I visited the Tuscan Lodge, No. 95. This Lodge meets in the Masonic Temple, London, in concert with other five Lodges on alternate dates. This Lodge is in good circumstances, and the books are well kept. The W. M. was present and all his officers in their places and exemplified the first degree in a very efficient manner. The number of members on the roll, 50; average attendance, 12.

Nov. 4, 1886 —Visited Henderson Lodge, No. 388, at Ilderton, and saw the third degree conferred on a candidate. The work was done by the P. M.; the Wardens and Subordinate Officers being well skilled in the work, and the Lodge was well attended. The books of the Lodge are well kept, and they meet regularly in a comfortable room, which is well furnished, and have their furniture and regalia insured. They are in a rented Lodge room. The number of members on the roll, 42; average attendance, 16. The Lodge is out of debt, or nearly so, and appears to be doing very well.

Nov. 9, 1886.—Visited St. John's Lodge, No. 20. This Lodge works what is known by them as Irish Ritual. I saw the first degree conferred on a candidate by the W. M. and the work was very well done, and the W. M. was well supported by his Wardens and officers. The number of members on the roll, 142; average attendance, 24; and they meet in the Masonic Temple, London. This Lodge has just issued a new set of By-laws, which have been submitted to the M. W. the G. M. for his approbation, and met with his approval, I suppose, but cannot say, as I have not seen a copy of them since.

Nov. 12, 1886.—Visited Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 171, Iona. This Lodge meets in a well appointed room, which they own. It is well furnished and insured. Saw the third degree conferred on a candidate by the W. M.; the Wardens and Officers all being well skilled in the work. The Lodge is a thriving

Lodge and is in good circumstances ; the books of the Lodge are in good shape and the attendance is good. Number of members on the roll, 33 ; average attendance, 22.

Nov. 17, 1886.—Visited Wallacetown to meet with some of the members of Cameron Lodge, No. 232. This Lodge, which was so unfortunate as to lose all they had belonging to them by that dread enemy, fire. They saved nothing. I met them in committee and advised them to apply for a new charter.

April 6, 1887.—My second visit to Cameron Lodge, No. 232. When I found that the brethren had erected a new hall, and had got a new set of furniture, and new regalia, and a new charter, and I had the honor of installing their W. M. and Officers, and the pleasure of seeing Cameron Lodge start up again with renewed vigor, and as soon as they completed the furnishing, the brethren will apply to the M. W. the G. M. to consecrate and dedicate the Lodge room to Masonry. This Lodge is starting up under very favorable circumstances, having a good room to hold their meetings in, at a rental of \$45 per annum, and a membership roll of 27, and an average attendance of 12.

Nov. 25, 1886.—I visited St. John's Lodge, No. 209a, London, and saw the second and third degree worked by the W. M., and the work was very interesting and elaborately done, and the W. M. was very ably supported by his Wardens and Officers, and all take part and pleasure in rendering the degree work as complete as possible. This Lodge is in a very flourishing condition and meet in the Masonic Temple, London ; have a large membership of 160 ; average attendance, 40. The books of the Lodge are well kept.

Dec. 7, 1886. At Corinthian Lodge, No. 330, London East. I found this Lodge meeting in a very large and commodious room, and well furnished, and good ante rooms. It was the annual meeting for election of officers. I did not see any degree work done. This Lodge is in a rented room ; rent, \$150. The books are in good shape, but have a large amount of dues outstanding there. Membership roll is 82, and the average attendance only 12.

Dec. 13, 1886.—At Union Lodge, No. 380, London. This Lodge meets in the Masonic Temple. I did not see any degree work in this Lodge ; it was their annual meeting for election of officers ; the W. M. was present at this meeting, this being the only meeting he had attended for some time. The books of the Lodge are kept in good shape, and the

Lodge is in a very flourishing condition. Number of members on the roll, 89 ; average attendance, 20.

Dec. 15, 1886.—King Solomon Lodge, No. 394, Thamesford. I visited this Lodge and saw the third degree conferred on a candidate, in part by the W. M. and part by the P. M.; the degree was not very well worked, neither by the W. M. or the Wardens of the Lodge. The Lodge seems to be still in the old groove as to the work. They meet in rather a poor building, but they have it neatly furnished and well appointed. The books are well kept, and the finances of the Lodge are in good trim, and the attendance is good. Number on the roll, 44 ; average attendance, 18.

Jan. 4, 1887.—Mount Olivet Lodge, No. 300, Thorndale. I visited this Lodge ; I found them in a good Lodge room of their own and well furnished and appointed, and the books of the Lodge are well kept, and the Lodge is in good financial standing. I did not see any work, but saw the W. M. open and close in 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees, and it was well done. Number on the roll, 41 ; average attendance, 14.

Jan. 5, 1887.—Middlesex Lodge, No. 379, Bryanston. Visited this Lodge and saw the third degree conferred on a candidate, part by the W. M. and part by the P. M.; the work was well done by the principal officers, W. M. and P. M., but the Wardens were not well skilled in the work and the Subordinate Officers were poorly skilled in the work. They meet in rather a poor hall, being only a loft over a drive shed ; they have it very nicely furnished and it is a rented building ; they have their effects insured and are in moderate circumstances. The books are well kept. No. of members on the roll, 32 ; average attendance, 12.

Jan. 6, 1887.—Doric Lodge, No. 289, Lobo. I visited this and installed the W. M. and Officers, and saw them open and close in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees. They meet in a very good hall which they own, and have a very good Lodge room and well furnished and appointed, and their effects are well insured, and they are in good financial standing and have a membership on the roll of 67, average attendance, 22 ; and their books are in first-class shape.

Jan. 19, 1887.—King Solomon Lodge, No. 378, Petersville. Visited this Lodge on the above date, and found a good Lodge, they meet in a good hall which they rent, it is well furnished and appointed, I saw the second degree conferred on a candidate by the W. M., the work was done in a skilful manner, the W. M. and Wardens and Officers being all well skilled in the work, the books of the Lodge are well

kept, the Lodge is in good financial circumstances, the number of members on the roll is 65 ; average attendance, 17.

Feb. 1, 1887.—Warren Lodge, No. 120, Fingal. I visited this Lodge and found them in a very comfortable Lodge room and well furnished, but the Lodge do not meet very regularly, they own the building that they hold their meetings in, and are in good financial circumstances, but the Lodge has not had much new blood to stir them up, the books of the Lodge are well kept and their effects are insured, I instructed them in the work of opening and closing. No. on the roll, 25 ; average attendance, 9.

March 4, 1887.—Delaware Valley Lodge, No. 358, Delaware. Visited this Lodge. They have a very nice Lodge room, a rented room and comfortably furnished and well appointed, and their effects insured. There was not any work before the Lodge, but the M. W. opened and closed the Lodge in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees. The Lodge is not very well skilled in the work. The books are well kept and the Lodge finances are in good shape. No. on the roll, 28 ; average attendance, 11.

March 9, 1887.—St. Paul's Lodge, No. 107, Lambeth. Visited this Lodge and saw the third degree conferred on a candidate ; the work was done in part by the W. M. and part by the P. M.; the work was well done ; the W. M. and Wardens and Officers all being well skilled in work. This Lodge meets in their own building and have a very good Lodge room, and well furnished and appointed, and all insured. The Lodge is in good financial standing and the books are in good shape. Number on the roll, 57 ; average attendance, 16.

March 17, 1887.—St. David's Lodge, No. 302, St. Thomas. Visited this Lodge ; did not see any work. The W. M. opened and closed in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees, and I instructed the brethren in the work. The Wardens are not very well skilled in the work, and the subordinate officers do not attend very regularly. The Lodge is in a rented Lodge room, and the finances of the Lodge are good and the books are fairly well kept, and their effects are insured. Number on the roll is 81 ; average attendance, 9. The Lodge prospects are good.

April 4, 1887.—Springfield Lodge, No. 259, Springfield. I went to Springfield to visit this Lodge, which I had given them eight days notice of, but when I arrived there at the Lodge room, which, by the way, is attached to the Secretary's office, I was informed that was the first that they knew of my coming,

as the W. M. had left the jurisdiction and had not sent the notice to the Secretary, so there was not a quorum, there being only three members of the Lodge present. They have a very comfortable Lodge room, for which they pay rent, and well furnished and the books are well kept. The Secretary being in office for 13 years and the Lodge is sound financially, but a good many members of the Lodge have left Springfield for other fields of labor and pastures new; hence such poor attendance. Number on the roll, 24. They do not meet regularly on account of not having a quorum.

April 5, 1887.—Nilestown Lodge, No. 345, Nilestown. Visited this Lodge and found them in a very comfortable Lodge room of their own, and well furnished and appointed, with their effects insured. The books of the Lodge are well kept. There was no work before the Lodge, but the W. M. opened and closed in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees, and I instructed them in the work. Number on the roll, 38; average attendance, 11.

April 12, 1887.—St. Mark's Lodge, No. 94, Port Stanley. Visited this Lodge and found them in poor circumstances. They seem to be in a state of disorganization and with a very poor unskilled set of officers. Books in bad shape and in financial difficulty. They have a very fair number of members on the roll, 38. but the attendance was only 11. A P. M. Edgecombe assumed the East, and I instructed the Lodge in the work of opening and closing. The trouble with this Lodge appears to be outstanding dues, and I counselled them to proceed at once against the delinquent members.

May 2, 1887.—Spartan Lodge, No. 176, Sparta. Visited this Lodge and found them in a very comfortable Lodge room, which they rent, and the room is well furnished and appointed and the Lodge is in good circumstances. The books are in good shape; their effects are insured. There was not any work before the Lodge. The W. M. and Wardens are well skilled in the work as far as I was able to judge by opening and closing in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees. Number of members on the roll, 40; average attendance, 12.

May 4, 1887.—Malahide Lodge, No. 140, Aylmer. Visited this Lodge on the above date. The W. M. and Wardens and Officers were all in their respective places, and the Lodge had two candidates for the second degree. The work was well done with some few exceptions, where I pointed out the errors. This Lodge is very well skilled in the esoteric work. They meet in a good room, which they rent; the room is well furnished and appointed and their effects are insured. Number on roll, 56; average attendance, 23.

May 5, 1887.—Merrill Lodge, No. 344, Dorchester Station. Visited this Lodge and found them in a very comfortable Lodge room, which they own, and they have it well furnished and it is well appointed and their effects are insured. The Lodge appears to be in a thriving condition; they are nearly out of debt, having just been buying a new carpet and sundry other things. Did not see any work. Number on roll, 38; average attendance, 16.

June 1, 1887.—Visited Moffat Lodge, No. 399, Harrietsville. This is a small Lodge and they are in a rented room, which they rent, and occupy in conjunction with another organization, viz: The Oddfellows, and are their tenants, and own nothing but their regalia and jewelry. The Lodge is in good financial standing, not standing at any expense. The room is very convenient. The W. M. and his Wardens and officers are well skilled in the esoteric work and they meet regularly. Number on the roll, 13; attendance, 9.

June 3, 1887.—Belmont Lodge, No. 190, Belmont. Visited this Lodge and found them in a very fine hall of their own, and well furnished and appointed as a Lodge room, and all insured. The books of this Lodge are in good condition and the Lodge is in good financial circumstances, but have some outstanding dues on their books. There was not any work on hand, but the W. M. opened and closed the Lodge in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees, and the Lodge, as a whole, proved themselves well skilled in the esoteric work and they meet regularly. Number of members on the roll, 32; average attendance, 16.

Elgin Lodge, No. 349. I visited this Lodge; it meets in the Masonic Temple, St. Thomas, and sub-rents from St. Thomas Lodge. It is a young Lodge and is not making much progress. I did not see any degree work. Their financial condition is fair. Number on the roll, 37; average attendance, 9.

Nov. 4, 1886.—St. George's Lodge, No. 42, London. I visited this Lodge and saw the third degree conferred on a candidate, in part by the W. M. and part by the P. M.; the work was skilfully done. The Lodge is in good shape financially and have a good attendance. Number on roll, 107; average attendance, 17.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

I held two Lodges of Instruction for the exemplification of the three degrees of Masonry in the Masonic Temple, London, under the warrant of St. John's, No. 20. The Lodges were held on two following evenings, Lodge opening at 8 p. m., and both of which Lodges were well attended, and the

brethren who exemplified the degrees acquitted themselves in a very skilful manner.

INSTALLATION.

I had the honor and pleasing duty of installing the W. M. and officers of the following Lodges :

Dec. 27th, 1886.—St. Thomas Lodge, No. 44, St. Thomas.

Dec. 27th, 1886.—Elgin Lodge, No. 349, St. Thomas.

Jan. 6th, 1887.—Doric Lodge, No. 289, Lobo.

June 24th, 1887.—St. David's Lodge, No. 302, St. Thomas.

June 29th, 1887.—Moffat Lodge, No. 399, Harrietsville.

April 6th, 1887.—Cameron Lodge, No. 232, Wallacetown.

And M. W. Sir, in closing this report I wish to express my fraternal thanks to the brethren of the third district for their unlimited and unbounded courtesy extended to me, and I can assure them that I have spent a most happy year amongst the Lodges in prosecuting my labors and in trying to do my duty as the representative of the G. M., if I have accomplished the task that I had in view, namely, that of doing my duty to their satisfaction. I have to acknowledge with many thanks the promptness with which the Grand Secretary attended to my communications and enquiries during my term of office, and to whom I am under many obligations.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

LUKE SLATER,

D. D. G. M., London District, No. 3.

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT, No. 4.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—Knowing that of late the reports of D. D. G. Masters have been severely criticized for being in some cases too long and stereotyped, in others too short and meagre ; I feel some diffidence in presenting mine, but will endeavor to give all necessary information as briefly as possible. In accordance with a suggestion made by the board on condition of Masonry at the last communication of the Grand Lodge, I will group my remarks under the following heads :

NUMBER OF LODGES AND OFFICIAL VISITS PAID.

There are sixteen Lodges in the Fourth District, each of which I have visited once, some oftener, viz :—Wilmont Lodge, No. 318, Baden, four times ; Tudor Lodge, No. 141,

Mitchell, four times ; New Dominion Lodge, No. 205, N. Hamburg, twice ; Irving Lodge, No. 154, Lucan, twice ; Britannia Lodge, No. 170, Seaforth, twice. The total number of visits being twenty-five. Besides these I have attended every meeting of the two Stratford Lodges, Nos. 144 and 332, except when absent officially in other parts of the district, and was also present on May 20th at Listowel, by invitation of R. W. Bro. Gunn, on which occasion he held a most interesting and successful General Lodge of Instruction.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

These were to New Dominion Lodge, No. 205, N. Hamburg, for church ; Tudor Lodge, No. 141, Mitchell, for church ; Doric Lodge, No. 233, Parkhill, for public procession.

WORK DONE.

1. Installations.—The officers of Wilmot Lodge, No. 318, Baden ; Tecumseh Lodge, No. 144, Stratford ; Morning Star Lodge, No. 309, Smith's Hill ; Stratford Lodge, No. 332, Stratford.

2. General Work.—I commenced my duties immediately after my election to office. Returning from Grand Lodge during the night of Thursday, July 17th, I went to Baden on the following evening and installed the officers of Wilmot Lodge, No. 318. After this I remained officially inactive for some time waiting for the D. D. G. Master's regalia, a new one having to be provided owing to the division of the Huron District. After receiving it in September I sent a circular to each Lodge, naming a date for my official visit and the work I should expect done. This programme was carried out with the exception of a few changes of dates, and of Craig Lodge, No. 214, Ailsa Craig. This Lodge I found had been lying dormant since February, 1886, for want of a suitable room. As they did not acknowledge my circular I wrote again just before the date appointed for my visit, (Oct. 18th), and received a reply stating that it was no use my going, as they had no room in which to meet, having been obliged to vacate their old one. I corresponded with their W. M., Bro. J. McKay, and also had a short interview with him on the train on my way to visit Doric Lodge, No. 233, on November 9th, when I urged him to get the Lodge to work as soon as possible and to let me know when this was effected. I had some misgivings that there was a desire on the part of the Lodge to defer my visit indefinitely, if not to escape it altogether, and these were confirmed, when, after waiting for several months I heard nothing of them, though I had written three times to the W. M. and twice each to P. Masters E. B.

Smith and R. Anderson. However, early in May, as my term of office was drawing to a close, and having determined to visit every lodge in my district, I again wrote, informing them that unless they appointed another date more convenient to themselves, I should be with them on May 24th in order to have some definite understanding as to the condition and prospects of the lodge. This elicited a reply from W. Bro. Anderson, apologizing for neglect in not answering former communications, and requesting me to defer the visit to June 6th, their regular meeting night, when they would endeavor to muster sufficient members to hold a meeting. On my arrival I was met by W. Bros. McKay (W. M.) and Smith; W. Bro. Anderson being unavoidably absent from town. The Lodge in the evening was very poorly attended, only just a sufficient number being present to open the Lodge. At their request I occupied the chair and opened and closed in the three degrees. On talking over the situation, I found that the Lodge had been through a trying time owing to various causes; *e. g.* several members leaving the district, others suspended for non-payment of dues, &c., their having to give up their former Lodge room and being unable to get another suitable one for some time. There are, however, among them several good working Masons who would be loth to let the Lodge collapse. I gave them all the encouragement in my power, and have no doubt they will ere long be in a good healthy condition and develop into a sound, hardworking Lodge, if not so large as formerly. Another cause of apathy and discontent was their Lodge being withdrawn from the London District and joined the Fourth. The brethren (in common with those belonging to the other Lodges in the same position) appeared to consider this as somewhat derogatory, but I think I succeeded in reconciling them to the change. My visits to the Lodges have been almost entirely devoted to actual work—seeing one degree worked or exemplified in each Lodge (in some cases exemplifying the degree myself), besides the opening and closing in the three degrees, and discussing and explaining the manifold technical points in each degree, which are so liable to arise. On this ground I think I can justly claim that each of my visits was in reality a Lodge of Instruction, and the brethren have been unanimous in acknowledging the information received. While, as before stated, my visits have been chiefly devoted to the inspection and correction (when necessary) of the ritual and routine business of the meetings, I have also given some attention to the books of the Lodges and the manner in which they are kept, and satisfied myself that each Lodge is prompt and regular in conforming to and fulfilling its obliga-

tions to Grand Lodge. The secretaries appear to be thoroughly conversant with their duties and discharge them well and ably.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

I have only held two General Lodges of Instruction with afternoon and evening sessions ; one at St. Marys (St. James' Lodge, No. 73), on February 7th, when the first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Stanley, P. M.; the second by myself, and the third by R. W. Bro. Rupert, P. D. D. G. M.; the other at Britannia Lodge, No. 170, Seaforth ; the first degree being exemplified by W. Bro. White of Tudor Lodge, No. 141, Mitchell; the second by myself, and the third by W. Bro. Ballantyne, W. M. I am sorry to say that they were not, especially the one at St. Marys, attended so well as they should have been ; in fact, the number present in the afternoon on both occasions was so few as to discourage me from holding any more.

ATTENDANCE.

As a rule I had well attended meetings on my visits to the Lodges, notably those at Wilmot Lodge, No. 318, Baden ; New Dominion Lodge, No. 205, N. Hamburg ; Tecumseh Lodge, No. 144, Stratford ; Tudor Lodge, No. 141, Mitchell ; Irving Lodge, No. 154, Lucan, and Maitland Lodge, No. 33, Goderich, but the average attendance at the ordinary monthly meetings is not nearly so large as I should like to see it. In this respect, Baden, Hamburg, Lucan, Parkhill and Morning Star Lodge, No. 309, Smith's Hill, show to the best advantage.

DUES.

The arrears of dues in this district are not of any great amount, and although I have on several occasions urged the brethren to exert themselves at all times to keep the arrears as low as possible, I must acknowledge holding what will by many be considered very peculiar views in this respect. I do not believe in the indiscriminate slaughter of all who are delinquents to the amount of over one year's dues. I have held, and shall always be of the opinion that it is the bounden duty of every man to pay up his dues as promptly as he can, but there are many very worthy brethren who at times find a difficulty in doing this, and in all such cases I am a strong advocate for leniency. Where it is clear that a member has the ability but lacks the will to pay, there have been two grievous mistakes made ; one on the part of the member in seeking to join our Order, and the other on the part of the Lodge which admitted him, and the sooner the mistakes are remedied as far as possible, the better for all ; here, suspension for N. P. D. is a duty on the part of the Lodge. Still, how-

ever, this is a matter with which the Lodges themselves should deal entirely, they being undoubtedly the best judges of the merits or demerits of each case as it arises. I would strongly urge upon all lovers of our order the necessity of making our meetings as attractive as possible by a less formal but more cordial and fraternal bearing towards each other, more especially in the case of visiting brethren, by making our membership more select by means of a closer scrutiny and stricter enquiry into the character of those applying for admission, and by a determination on the part of the officers of every Lodge to perfect themselves in the exercise of all our ceremonies.

REDISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICTS.

By this process five of the Lodges now forming part of the Fourth were withdrawn from others, viz: New Dominion Lodge, No. 205, N. Hamburg, and Wilmot Lodge, No. 318, Baden, which formerly belonged to Wellington District; and Craig Lodge, No. 214, Ailsa Craig; Doric Lodge, No. 233, Parkhill, and Irving Lodge, No. 154, Lucan, which belonged to London District. In the case of the first two I am perfectly safe in saying that the change was an agreeable one; not that they had any cause for dissatisfaction prior to the change, but being pretty close neighbors the Stratford brethren often exchanged fraternal visits with them, and it seemed more natural for them to belong to the same District. With the other three Lodges it was different, and from almost similar reasons. These and the Stratford Lodges were strangers to each other, their sympathies, leanings, etc., were all with the London District, and these brethren naturally felt a little discontent with the change. I have, however, endeavored to convince them that they will not suffer any by that change, and I believe have succeeded in doing so. I certainly think that a great benefit has been effected in the old Huron District by the redistribution. To confine myself to the southern part of it, I may say, now that I have been all over it, that although it covers a large area of territory there is only one Lodge situated away from the G. T. R. or its branches, viz: Morning Star Lodge, No. 309, Smith's Hill, which necessitates a six miles drive from Goderich. My unhesitating verdict is, so far as regards the Fourth District, that the redistribution is a perfect success and reflects great credit on those to whom the duty was entrusted.

CONDITION OF MASONRY, INCLUDING QUALITY OF WORK, ETC.

Though the Lodges in general are in a satisfactory condition, I regret to say that the Masonic zeal is not of a very high

standard, as may be seen from the fact that in my frequent visits I had an escort on only one occasion, and I shall always gratefully remember R. W. Bro. Radcliffe, P. D. D. G. M., W. Bro. Humber and Bro. Green, all of Maitland Lodge, No. 33 Goderich, for accompanying me on a six miles drive to Smith's Hill on a bitter cold winter afternoon. My thanks are also due to W. Bro. D. M. Malloch of Clinton Lodge, No. 84, Clinton; W. Bro. White of Tudor Lodge, No. 141, Mitchell, and Bro. Hodge, also of Tudor, for their attendance at my Lodge of Instruction at Seaforth. In the majority of the Lodges the esoteric work is done well and in accordance with the Ritual and generally by the W. Masters, but I think it just and right to give Britannia Lodge, No. 170, Seaforth, special mention in this respect, as being not only by far the best working Lodge in the District, but the best I have seen. Great credit is due to the P. Masters in general, and to W. Bros. Duff and Ireland in particular for the degree of excellence to which the Lodge has attained.

IN CONCLUSION.

The year's duties have to me been very pleasant ones and I have performed them to the best of my ability. Prior to my election my visits had been confined to the Lodges in Stratford and its immediate vicinity, so that I was a perfect stranger to the members of about twelve of my Lodges, but on every occasion I was received most fraternally, and the instructions I endeavored to impart or corrections I thought necessary to make were always accepted in a loyal satisfactory manner. I wish to return my sincere thanks to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and R. W. Bro. Mason, the Grand Secretary, for the prompt attention they gave to any matter I had to refer to them; also to W. Bros. Fox of Irving Lodge, No. 154, Lucan; Humber of Maitland Lodge, No. 33, Goderich, and E. B. Smith of Craig Lodge, No. 214, Ailsa Craig, for special attendance to me on the occasion of my visits to their respective towns.

Fraternally submitted,

C. McLELLAN,

D. D. G. M. South Huron District, No. 4

Stratford, June 25th, 1887.

NORTH HURON DISTRICT, No. 5.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—I have the honor to submit the following report on the condition of Masonry in the Fifth Masonic District.

Having been honored with the confidence of Grand Lodge in my present position, I resolved that no effort on my part should be wanting to perform the duties of my office in as thorough and satisfactory a manner as the time at my disposal would admit of, and I determined to enter upon the discharge of those duties at once. To this end I wrote to each W. M. in my District, and requested him to cause the Secretary of his Lodge to forward to me a copy of every summons issued. This request, I regret to say, was honored more in the breach than in the observance.

My next step was to prepare a statement, of which the following is a copy :

.....	1886.
.....Lodge No.....	G. R. C.
Meets.....	.....
Installation on.....	.....
W. M., W. Bro.....	.....
Secretary.....	.....
Total number of members on Register, June 24th, 1885.....	.....
How many Honorary members?.....	.....
How many life members?.....	.....
Dues payable by each member, per year? \$. .....	.....
Date of last payment of Dues to Grand Lodge?.....	.....
Amount then paid?..... \$.....	.....
What is the Initiation fee in your Lodge? \$.....	.....
What is the Affiliation fee?..... \$.....	.....
Give in full the names of your Officers for this year :—	.....
.....	S. W.
.....	J. W.
.....	Chaplain.
.....	Treasurer.
.....	S. D.
.....	J. D.
.....	D. of C.
.....	Organist.
.....	Senior Steward.

..... Junior Steward
 Inner Guard.
 Tyler.
 If Lodge owns the building, for how much is it insured? \$.....
 How much insurance is there on Jewels, Furniture, &c.? \$.....
 If Lodge room rented, rent per year?..... \$.....
 Have you joint occupancy of Lodge room with any other organization?....
 Total amount paid by Lodge in 1885 for relief?..... \$.....
 Number relieved?.....
 Number of Regular Meetings held in 1885?.....
 Number of Emergent Meetings held in 1885?.....
 Average attendance of members in 1885?.....
 How many members reside out of your jurisdiction?.....
 Do you keep a Statistical Book?.....
 Are newly made Master Masons promptly furnished with Grand Lodge
 Certificates?.....
 How many members are in arrears for Dues more than 12 months and
 who are not suspended?.....
 If any, give total amount of such arrearages?.....
 How many are 12 and 9 months in arrears?.....
 Was your Lodge represented at the last Meeting of G. L.?.....
 If so, whether directly or by proxy?.....
 Number Suspensions from June 24th, 1885, to June 24th, 1886, for Non-
 payment of dues?.....
 Total amount of Cash in the hands of Treasurer, or invested at date of last
 Installation? \$.....
 If invested, how, and at what rate of interest?.....

 Secretary.

Of this statement, I forwarded a copy to each Secretary and requested an immediate return. Upon the return of these statements I found that dues were in a lamentable condition.

The following Memo. will show the position of the different Lodges with respect to members between six and nine months in arrears, and over one year in arrears. This statement covers the period of, say one year, preceeding the 1st day of September, 1886.

No.	LODGE.	Total number of members, 24, June, 1886	Number over 12 months in arrears.	Number over 6 and 9 months in arrears.
93	Northern Light... ..	98	15	17
131	St. Lawrence... ..	29	4	17
162	Forest... ..	18	No return.	No return.
184	Old Light... ..	42	1	5
197	Saugeen... ..	46	2	1
225	Bernard... ..	75	8	10
235	Aldworth... ..	44	17	11
276	Teeswater... ..	23	10	11
284	St. John's... ..	40	13	3
286	Wingham... ..	27	3	3
331	Fordwich... ..	24	4	6
341	Bruce... ..	57	14	6
362	Maple Leaf... ..	35	7	5
393	Forest... ..	27	7	3
396	Cedar... ..	32	23	3
		617	128	61

Now, this is a very unsatisfactory and a very unmasonic exhibit, and is not creditable, either to the members in arrears, or to the officers whose more especial duty it is to see that dues are not allowed to fall in arrears, but promptly collected as required by the by-laws. I do not think this unsatisfactory state of things arises from deliberate or wilful negligence, but from careless, unbusinesslike habits, into which Lodges are apt to fall, whenever any relaxation in Masonic exactness, promptitude, punctuality and order, obtains a footing among Masons. I am sure that a careful perusal of the notes of my official visits to Lodges in this District, will convince the members of Grand Lodge that the question of non-payment of dues, is one of the most important ones that can come before them. In my feeble way, I endeavored to show the Lodges, that private enterprises conducted in this loose, unbusinesslike manner, would result in flooding the country with bankrupts, and that the numbers of brethren, who, from the amount of arrears of dues, were either unwilling to pay, or who were suspended, were most serious and appalling. Lodge By-laws provide that certain steps should be taken for the enforcement of payment of dues. In most country Lodges these provisions are ignored. Scores of members are suspended and scores are allowed to remain on the books of the Lodges, year after year. It would be a subject for amazement if a statement could be prepared, showing the number suspended during the last ten years, the amount due at the time of their suspension, the number on the books who should be suspended, and the amount owing by them. If Masonry is to grow and

flourish, this matter of non-payment of dues will have to be taken firmly in hand, at present, it is the chief element against the successful working of country Lodges.

I now append notes of my visits to each of the Lodges, &c.

Northern Light Lodge, No. 93, Kincardine : I visited this Lodge on 1st December, 1886. Regular Communication. Thirty-seven members and five P. M's were present : 3rd degree worked by a P. M., and the regular officers of the Lodge. The W. M. was present, and opened and closed in the several degrees, and examined the candidate. The work was creditably done, although several inaccuracies occurred. The Lodge owns the building, which is valued at \$3,000. The Furniture, Jewels, &c., are all in capital order, and insurance policies are carried on building and effects. I suggested a statistical book ; the statistics are now kept in three or four books. The Secretary's books are in good shape, the Treasurer's also. Inventory properly made out and in the hands of the S. W. I was well satisfied with the position of this Lodge, and with the quality of work I saw. I was obliged to speak strongly on the question of non-payment of dues, and was assured by the W. M. and the Secretary, both of whom are excellent officers, that an effort would be made to materially reduce the amount then on the books.

St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 131, Southampton : This Lodge was not visited, because it was found impossible to secure a sufficient number of members to open the Lodge. This is all the more to be regretted when I say, that the day appointed for my visit was the regular Communication of the Lodge, and was the meeting at which officers should have been elected. On the 16th May, I wrote to the Secretary. that I proposed to visit on the 7th June, I heard nothing from him until the 2nd June, when he wrote that the W. M. had desired him to state that it would not be possible to have a meeting, as there were not enough to make a quorum. I at once wrote that I was greatly disappointed, as I had made arrangements for the 7th, and asked him to do his best to secure a sufficient number of members to open the Lodge. On the morning of the 7th, I received a letter from the W. M., telling me that there was no chance of a meeting. From the statement received from the Secretary, I find that the Lodge is in fair shape, financially. A considerable number of the members are engaged upon the lakes and in the fisheries. I am told that the Lodge is well worked, with such members as V. W. Bros. Lindsay, Dundas and Nokes, and W. Bros. Smith and Johns, it ought to be one of the best in this northern country. I pre-

pared a new set of By-laws, which I have held over until after the meeting of Grand Lodge.

Forest Lodge, No. 162, Wroxeter: I appointed Monday, the 30th May, for my official visit, and on the 16th May I wrote the W. M. to that effect. On the 26th I received a note from the Secretary telling me that the W. M. was absent and that there was no chance of a meeting. I have been doing my best to get a statement of the financial standing from the Secretary, but although I have implored him to send it to me, I have not yet received it. When at Fordwich I was informed by one of the members of the Wroxeter Lodge that it was languishing, that little or no interest was taken in the work, and that but few meetings had been held during the year. The return I received on the 1st November was incomplete, and repeated requests for further information were ignored. I wrote to the Secretary again on the 13th June, and I trust I shall receive the statement so that I can use the matter for my return to Grand Lodge. The outlook, from all I can gather, is a poor one, and I fear this Lodge will have to surrender its Warrant before long. If it is in the state I am told it is, this will be the wisest course.

Old Light Lodge, No. 184, Lucknow: Visited 13th April, 1887; Emergent Communication; twelve brethren present, including two P. Masters and nine members; W. M. and Wardens absent; in fact only two of the regular officers were present. The Lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees by W. Bro. Tennant, P. M. The work (excepting that of W. Bro. Tennant) was of the poorest kind, and not all in accordance with the ritual. A degree was not exemplified, owing to the "rustiness" of the acting officers. The hall is a good one, although its situation seems out of the way. In severe weather this must militate against a large attendance. The attendance of members, at the time of my visit was. very disappointing. From all I could learn the future of this Lodge is not a bright one. I was assured, however, that a wakening up was on the card. I trust so, there was ample room for improvement. The books were well kept. The old story of non-payment of dues came up here; nine members over 12 months in arrears; one for five years. I begged and prayed the members to pay up and keep paid up, and to render the W. M. and Secretary all assistance in getting as nearly a clean slate as possible by the 24th June. A few days will show what effect my entreaties have had.

Saugen Lodge, No. 197, Walkerton: Visited 9th November, 1887; twenty-six members present, including five P. Masters; Regular Communication; work second degree; W.

M. and all the regular officers ; the work was thoroughly well done, W. Bro. Telford being perfect. The hall is a fine one, well furnished and kept very clean. The books of the Treas. and Secretary were closely examined, and found to be in excellent order. With a membership of forty-seven, the arrears of dues at the date of my visit were \$13.75, which were, on 27th December, reduced to \$5.75. This somewhat remarkable showing, is, in a great measure, due to the indefatigable efforts of the Secretary, Bro. C. F. Harris. There was no Inventory when I visited, but one in duplicate has since been prepared, and one kept in the hall, the other being in the possession of the W. M. The membership of this Lodge is small, but it is in a highly prosperous condition. The work is in every respect A. I., and the harmony of the Lodge is perfect.

Bernard Lodge, No. 225, Listowel: Visited 5th January, 1887; twenty-eight present, including five P. Masters and twenty members; first degree worked by the W. M. and most of the regular officers; the W. M. was particularly well posted; the quality of the whole work was considerably above the average; the late Secretary was absent. I have experienced great difficulty in obtaining a statement of the financial position of this Lodge; the fault was not that of the present Secretary who is in every way, thoroughly well fitted for the position. When he obtained the books, which he did after a good deal of trouble, they were found to be in an unsatisfactory condition. The arrearages of dues were very large, and a general looseness in the whole keeping of the books. The lodge room is a very fine one, and handsomely furnished. The Lodge suffered a severe loss by fire in 1879, and were obliged to carry a note of \$800 for a long time. At the date of my visit it had been reduced to \$42. The Lodge is a healthy, vigorous one, and I am certain it is certain to go on and prosper. I am indebted to the members for many kindnesses, which I now desire to acknowledge.

Aldworth Lodge, No. 235 Paisley: Visited 7th January, 1887; Regular Communication; twenty-three present, including three P. Masters and nine visitors. I was accompanied by R. W. Bro. W. A. Green, P. G. J. W., Bro. Harris, District Secretary, and six other brethren of Saugeen Lodge. Exemplification of first degree by the W. M. and most of the regular officers. The work was not at all in accordance with the ritual. It is hard to conceive how or where the brethren acquired the "medley." I must admit that I was very greatly astonished and disappointed. I pointed out many gross inaccuracies, and I am bound to say the brethren evinced a

general desire for information. The room is small, but is apparently quite large enough for present requirements. The Secretary's books are in fair order. Master Masons certificates are furnished every half-year. No inventory, but one promised at once; no insurance, although I wrote to the W. M. requesting him to take out a small policy; this on the 28th August. The dues are in a lamentable condition; twenty-five members over twelve months in arrears; one member for ten and-a-half years. The arrears at the date of visit were \$165.84. I have written repeatedly to the W. M. and Secretary begging them to use exertion to materially reduce these arrears. I am in hopes of hearing in a few days that their efforts have been successful.

Teeswater Lodge, No. 276, Teeswater: I was not able to visit this Lodge; I made an appointment for the 6th of May, but owing to the severe illness of one of the members of my family I was prevented from going out. In order not to disappoint the Lodge, I requested W. Bro. Telford to take my place. He was accompanied by the District Secretary and a number of the Walkerton brethren. He reported to me that there were nine members present. The second degree was exemplified by the W. M., with the exception of the J. W., the other officers were not present. The work of the W. M. was good; that of the others poor. The hall is small, but fairly suitable. There is no insurance and I am assured that the value of the effects is but little. Bro. Harris reports that the books are only in fair shape. The finances were in a shocking state; nearly half the members were over twelve months in arrears, and the total arrears at time of visit were about \$80. I have to say that I consider this Lodge to be in a most unsatisfactory condition. I fear that internal troubles are at the root of the matter. The success of a small Lodge in a country village, depends entirely on the harmony among its members. I trust that the brethren will see to it that this state of affairs is commenced at once. Petty bickerings and party politics must be left at the door of the ante-room and on the outside at that.

St. John's Lodge, No. 284, Brussels: Visited 15th April, 1887; Emergent Communication; eighteen members present, including three P. Masters. Second degree exemplified by the W. M. and all the regular officers. The work, on the whole was good. I was glad to be able to compliment the W. M. and the Wardens. The Lodge room is neatly furnished. Insurance is carried on the furniture. The Secretary's books are in first-class order. I did not see the Treasurer's books, but was assured by the W. M. that they were properly kept. Several defects in the by-laws were pointed out. Twenty-six

of the members reside outside of the village, and as the roads at the date of my visit were in a bad condition I was not disappointed at the small attendance of members. I have no hesitation in saying that the future of this Lodge is a bright one, and I was more than pleased with the harmony that prevailed. The well-worn question of non payment of dues came up, and I was obliged to speak my mind very freely. I did not spare the proper officers, who were to a great extent answerable for the large arrears, and I am pleased to learn since my return that considerable reduction in the amount upon the books has been made.

Wingham Lodge, No. 286, Wingham: Visited 14th April, 1887; Emergent Communication; nineteen present, including two P. Masters and two visitors. Exemplification of second degree by W. M. and regular officers, well done. Lodge room nicely furnished and thoroughly adapted. The books of the officers in good order. The membership, which on 24th June, 1885, was 43, has been reduced to 31. This was caused by suspensions for N. P. D. Notwithstanding this, there were, at the time of my visit, six members over twelve months in arrears, with total arrears of \$61.50 on the books. The number of meetings for the twelve months preceding my visit was not satisfactory. The present W. M. (W. Bro. Dickenson) is an enthusiastic mason, and I look for good results during the time he occupies the East. Wingham Lodge ought to be one of the best in this District. To make it so, more interest will have to be taken by the brethren. The work done during the past year has been almost *nil*.

Hanover Lodge, No. 301, Hanover: This Lodge was defunct before I entered upon the discharge of my official duties. I attempted to resuscitate it, and for that purpose visited Hanover, accompanied by the District Secretary. We had a long conversation with W. Bro. Landerkin and several other brethren. I ascertained that it was useless to expect successful working, so took charge of the Warrent, &c., and had same forwarded to the Grand Secretary. The Lodge for years before its dissolution was in a very unsatisfactory condition. I repeatedly visited it. The books were allowed to get into a disgraceful shape. Nobody short of an expert, and a first-class one at that, could make head or tail of them.

Fordwich Lodge, No. 331, Fordwich; Visited June 2nd, 1887, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Alex. Irving, P.D.D.G.M., Harriston. There are twenty-five members on the register, of whom sixteen were present, including two P. Masters; the Communication was a regular one. The election of officers

was first proceeded with, after this, the Lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees. The W. M. was unavoidably absent; W. Bro. Hutchison, P. M., was in the East, and very creditably discharged the duties; the S. W. was particularly well posted; the J. W. was deplorably deficient in knowledge of the work; the floor work was loosely and slovenly done. I was obliged to find a great deal of fault, but the brethren freely acknowledged their shortcomings, and appeared most anxious to do better. The books were in very good shape. The Secretary, Bro. Foster, is a most pains-taking officer. I was particularly gratified to see such a large attendance of the older members. Some of them attend regularly, and for that purpose drive miles. The hall is small, but neatly furnished and thoroughly equipped. I have never had the pleasure of visiting a Lodge where there appears to be more peace and harmony, and I sincerely trust that this may long continue. I had never met any of the brethren before. My visit was a most pleasant and a most satisfactory one.

Bruce Lodge, No. 341: Visited 2nd December, 1886; I was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Martyn; Emergent Communication. The day of my visit was a frightful one, the roads being almost blocked with snow. Twenty-two were present, including two P. Masters. The second degree was worked by the W. M., assisted by the regular officers. Numerous inaccuracies were pointed out. The Secretary's books were in only fair condition. I suggested to him a number of improvements. The Lodge owns the building, which is a substantial brick structure; both it and the furniture are fully insured. The Treasurer's books are models of correctness and neatness. The arrears are very large; fourteen members over twelve months in arrears, and who are not suspended. Forty members reside out of the Village. The Lodge is in a fairly satisfactory condition, and I am told that efforts are being made to collect the out-standing dues. Since writing the above the Lodge has suffered great loss in the sad and sudden death of the W. M., W. Bro. A. J. Paterson; his death has left a blank that it will be hard to fill. A zealous Mason, a good man, a kind husband and an affectionate father. Peace to his ashes.

Port Elgin Lodge, No. 350, Port Elgin: This Lodge surrendered its Warrant on the 8th April, 1887, and on the following day I forwarded to the Grand Secretary a box containing jewels, seal, books, warrant, &c. "Died from want of vitality" is the only reasonable cause that I can assign. The want of vitality was caused by the negligence of the officers and members. It seemed, at first sight, a great pity that this Lodge should be obliged to surrender its charter, but after a thorough

investigation I came to the conclusion that, owing to the apathy of members resident in the village, it was utterly impossible to put it in a healthy vigorous condition. It is a matter of regret that I am obliged to make this statement, but it is only fair to the members of Grand Lodge that they should know the facts. It speaks badly, indeed, for the cause of Masonry in Port Elgin, that in such a flourishing village the Lodge should have languished and died. The members are alone to blame, and I for one do not feel disposed to seek for excuses for them. At my earnest solicitations sufficient funds were collected to pay all dues to Grand Lodge

Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 362, Tara: Visited 3rd January, 1887; twenty members present, including two P. Masters. First degree worked by the W. M. and most of the regular officers. The work of the W. M. was only fairly done; that of the other officers was below the average. Numerous questions were asked and answered. The brethren evinced the utmost zeal, and I am pleased to be able to report that I am of the opinion that my visit was productive of great good. The Secretary's books were not well kept; I spent several hours before the Lodge met in going over them with the Secretary and pointing out where they could be improved. Only two degrees were worked during the year and the Lodge generally was not in the condition I desired. The hall is a capital one, fully insured and kept in excellent order. There was no inventory. Certificates were not promptly furnished. Ten members were over twelve months in arrears; the total amount of arrears were \$66.67. The by-laws were defective in several particulars.

Forest Lodge, No. 393, Chesley: This Lodge was visited on the 1st February, 1887. I was accompanied by the District Secretary and several of the members of Saugeen Lodge. After a cold drive of sixteen miles, I arrived at the Village, and waited patiently until 8.40 for a meeting. I then proceeded to the Lodge, and found only three brethren present. After a considerable "drumming up" a sufficient number were obtained, and the Lodge was opened. The Communications are held in the Odd-Fellows' Hall. I pointed out the views and rulings of Grand Lodge upon this point. This Lodge, is without exception, the poorest worked Lodge in my District. I was opposed years ago to the institution of a Lodge in this Village, and after a number of years my opposition has been proved to have been a well grounded one. No interest seems to be taken by the members. At the date of my visit, nine members were over twelve months in arrears, one for four years, and the amount of the arrears was \$67.

The Lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees ; the work was wretchedly done, indeed ; the S.W. was unable to do the work at all. I cannot refrain from stating that the brethren of this Lodge are greatly to be blamed for the unsatisfactory condition of their Lodge. Unless a wonderful change for the better takes place, and that at once, it would be far better for the cause of Masonry that the Warrant should be handed over. The books of the Secretary were in good order.

Cedar Lodge, No. 396, Wiarton : I visited Wiarton on the 8th February, 1887, for the purpose of Consecrating and Dedicating this flourishing Lodge. There were twenty-nine present, including five P. Masters. The day was a terrific one ; my drive to Hanover to take the afternoon train was accomplished in torrents of rain. The hall is a neat one, handsomely furnished, and reflects the greatest possible credit on the good taste of the brethren. I saw many evidences that the fair hands of the mothers, wives and possibly sweethearts of the brethren, had been busily at work. Acting under the authority of a Dispensation from the M. W. the Grand Master, I proceeded with the ceremonies of Consecration and Dedication. I was ably assisted by W. Bros. McKim, Hicks, Irwin, Walmsley, Williamson, &c., &c. The second degree was worked by W. Bro. Hicks and all the regular officers. The brethren are enthusiastic ; the work was admirably done, and coming so soon after the poor work I had witnessed in Chesley a week before, it was the more welcome. This Lodge is certain to progress satisfactorily. The greatest unanimity prevails, and I was fully compensated for the unpleasantness of my journey. The arrears of dues, however, claimed my attention, and the well worn remarks, which by this time came as natural as the routine of work, were again gone over. The W. M. and the Secretary both promised that "noble" work would be done to reduce the arrears, and I trust that I shall have a good report before the end of June. The books are very well kept.

BOOKS.

In many of the Lodges in the 5th Masonic District the books are cleanly kept, but Secretaries are prone to multiply books, and there is a great lack of uniformity. The Statistical Book furnished by Grand Lodge, a few years ago, was, in my opinion, a capital one. The price was too high, however, for most small Lodges ; a book half the size of the one I mention, which could be sold for, say \$1.50, would answer every purpose. I am strongly of opinion that in order to secure that regularity which is so essential to the proper conduct of Lodges, a set of books for the use of Treasurers and Secretaries should be

prepared by the Grand Lodge and ordered to be used in all private Lodges. Printed directions could be sent with each set ; in this way new officers could easily follow the system adopted. The work of inspection by the D. D. G. Masters would be greatly facilitated. And just here, I would like to say a word or two about reports of D. D. G. Masters ; here again, uniformity is essential. How can the Committee on the condition of Masonry arrive at a satisfactory conclusion if they only have the somewhat conventional reports of D. D. G. Masters as we have had in the Proceedings of Grand Lodge for years past ? I have taken some pains, when visiting the Lodges, to obtain certain information, which I have embodied in a statement hereto annexed. I am quite aware of its many imperfections, yet it may serve as a foundation upon which a proper form can be based, and which should be carefully filled out by the D. D. G. Masters, and transmitted with their report to Grand Lodge. It would not be necessary to print each return.

RE-DISTRIBUTION.

I desire to say that the Lodges in my District are well pleased with the scheme adopted at last Grand Lodge, and are averse to any further changes being made at present. This District is quite large enough, and a D. D. G. M. can visit every Lodge without unreasonable loss of time.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

I held one Lodge of Instruction in the Town of Listowel, on the 20th May. It was numerously attended, considerably over one hundred of the brethren being present. I was favored with the presence of R. W. Bros. C. McLellan, D. D. G. M., fourth Masonic District ; J. E. Harding, D. M. Martyn, A. Irving, R. Radcliffe, &c., &c. The degrees were fairly exemplified. Taken as a whole, I was well satisfied with this Lodge of Instruction. I cannot say too much in praise of the fraternal kindness of the officers and brethren of Bernard Lodge, Listowel. Their handsome and commodious room was placed at my disposal, and the large number of visiting brethren were most handsomely entertained by them.

A careful perusal of the remarks upon each Lodge, and an examination of the return annexed, will, I am sure, convince the Grand Lodge that the condition of Masonry in this District is not in a satisfactory state. This term has been an exceptional one, however. Two exciting Parliamentary elections have been held ; indeed, in this section we had three elections. During all this time, the interest taken in the

Order was comparatively small. Then the slovenly work done by a number of the Lodges militates against a large attendance, instead of a pleasure it becomes a burden to attend to hear the beautiful ritual so badly rendered and mangled. Officers are appointed in many instances, not on account of their efficiency, but for some social or other ulterior reason. I look for better things in this District, but I honestly confess that I returned from visiting a number of the Lodges almost disheartened. I have spared neither time nor trouble in endeavoring to put the Lodges in this District on a more satisfactory footing. If I have, in any measure, succeeded in this, I am amply repaid. I feel that in most cases, the members have appreciated my efforts to improve the state of the Order.

In conclusion, I beg to thank the Most W. the Grand Master for assistance and advice; the Grand Secretary for information most heartily rendered by him. I have endeavored to the utmost of my ability to discharge in a satisfactory manner the duties entrusted to me, and to promote in every way possible the good of Masonry.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

JOHN F. H. GUNN,

D. D. G. M., North Huron District, No. 5.

Walkerton, June 30th, 1887.

APPENDIX.

FORM OF TABULATED STATEMENT FURNISHED BY THE D. D. G. M. OF THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT (NORTH HURON), AND REFERRED TO IN THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY, 1887:

Date of Official Visit to Lodge.....	.....
Number of Lodge.....	.....
Name of Lodge.....	.....
Location .....	.....
Membership..	{ Honorary
	{ Ordinary
	{ Total
	{ Total on 24th June, 188
	{ Increase
	{ Decrease
Degrees conferred...	{ E. A.
	{ F. C.
	{ M. M.
	{ Total.....

Affiliations	
Restorations	
Resignations	
Suspensions for non-payment of dues	
Suspensions for un-Masonic conduct	
Deceased	
Rejected	
Meetings held for 12 months prior to date of Official Visit—	
Regular	
Emergent	
Total	—
Average attendance of members	
Number of members residing outside of town or village	
If Lodge rented, yearly rental	\$
If Lodge owns building, value	\$
Insurance on building	\$
Insurance on furniture, jewels, etc.	\$
Amount paid for relief	\$
Number relieved	
Number of members over 12 months in arrears and not suspended	
Longest period any member in arrears	
Total amount of all arrearages	\$
Date of last return to Grand Lodge,	
Amount then paid	\$
Receipts—	
Dues	\$
Fees	\$
Total expenditure, exclusive of Grand Lodge fees	\$
Total amount on hand or invested	\$

Remarks on present position and probable future of Lodge :

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NOTE.—The above return to embrace the work of each Lodge for the 12 months prior to date of visit.

WILSON DISTRICT No. 6.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—Having had the honor of being elected for a second term as the District Deputy Grand Master of this District, I have peculiar pleasure at this, the close of my term of office, in reporting that the prosperity and harmony spoken of in my last report still continue to prevail within my jurisdiction, and it gives me even more pleasure to be able to say that I think many improvements are noticeable this year in the management and working of a number of the lodges throughout the District. In my last report I spoke of the then proposed redistribution of Districts, and reference to my remarks was made in the

report of your Committee on the Condition of Masonry. Although, had we then been allowed to choose for ourselves, we might have been inclined to remain as we were, yet, perhaps, our objection was a purely sentimental one, and as it did not prevail I am glad to say under the new condition of things we cannot say our material advancement has been to any extent retarded or our Masonic zeal dampened. At all events, we find the greatest degree of harmony prevailing in our midst, and, as the grand principles of Freemasonry depend on harmony and true fellowship, we ought at least be blessed—as we believe we will be—with continued prosperity. In my former report I stated I had not been able to reach all the Lodges during my last term, but I have endeavored as far as possible to make up for that this year. I have made between twenty-five and thirty official visits, meeting many of the Lodges two or three times, though there are one or two of the outlying ones I have been unable to reach, as they are somewhat difficult of access during the winter and I find during the summer, when I had intended visiting them, they do not meet regularly owing to the absence of so many of their members during that season.

I have great pleasure and satisfaction in being able to report that all the Lodges in the District are very well—and many of them excellently—“worked,” the officers almost without an exception being well-skilled, zealous craftsmen, jealous of the welfare of their charges and having the best interests of the fraternity ever uppermost in their minds. As I have had occasion more than once to remark, no Lodge can be prosperous unless not only the principal but also the subordinate officers be earnest, active and intelligent brethren, who have sufficient zeal to prompt them to strive to excel in their work and enough pride to induce them to raise it as nearly perfection as possible in its management, and I have often during the past year been gratified and encouraged to think that the true requirements of an officer appears to be more and more considered in the election of brethren to fill the offices in the Lodges. During the course of my visits last year I endeavored in every possible way to impress the necessity of making in all cases true merit the basis of preferment, and in this direction, I believe, my suggestions have been productive of good in the District, and I am now able to say that in almost every case I find the officers careful of the interest and reputation of their Lodges, desirous of making their regular communications interesting and profitable, particularly anxious to exemplify the work accurately and efficiently, and at all times eager to pick up and adopt such

information as they are able to obtain, and in this way, I think, a great deal has already been done, and a great deal may yet be accomplished, tending towards a greater degree of popularity and perfection in the ritualistic and other work of the Lodges.

I have been greatly pleased at the attendance at our Lodges generally, which I observe by looking over the registers has in most instances been quite as large as might reasonably be expected, and, although I have not now before me the exact figures, judging from the notices sent me I am of the opinion that the year has been a fairly prosperous one in point of additions to our membership, and what I consider of more importance I have ascertained from enquiries that there is a growing disposition on the part of all Lodges to carefully scrutinize all candidates offering for admission to the Order. This is, I think, as it should be, for I cannot too strongly emphasize the great necessity of carefully and zealously guarding the entrance of our portals against the admission of any except those of whom we have the strongest grounds for supposing will ultimately reflect credit upon our Order.

In order to induce subordinate officers to cultivate a laudable ambition towards the higher positions in the Lodge I have tried to get them to take such part as they were able in our ceremonies, such as delivering the charges or lectures in the different degrees, and in this way I have succeeded in several of the Lodges in getting the junior officers to take a most lively interest—in fact, amounting to a wholesome rivalry between them—aiming towards perfection in the knowledge of our rites and ceremonies. I consider this a good feature to cultivate, inasmuch as it leads all the officers to feel that they have an individual interest in preserving the reputation of their Lodges and begets an ambition calculated the better to prepare them more worthily to fill more exalted and responsible offices among their fellows.

During my visits last year I endeavored to impress on the brethren the necessity for and benefits arising from a more general visiting among the members of sister Lodges throughout the jurisdiction, and I am glad to be able to report that the brethren appear more desirous to avail themselves of such opportunities of becoming not only better acquainted with the manner in which other Lodges are worked, but of cultivating more friendly and fraternal relationships among the brethren of different Lodges, which I consider beneficial in many ways. It begets an interest in the members themselves, and an ambition in the officers to do their best to arrive as nearly

perfection as possible in the exemplification of the work, and has a tendency to foster more kindly feelings of friendship and regard, and to knit more closely the bonds of brotherly love that should at all times characterize the members of our Mystic Tie, and I cannot too strongly urge the importance of all Masons embracing every opportunity of widening the circle of their acquaintances among the brethren and of seeing how other officers than their own confer the degrees, and if no other beneficial results follow nothing in my opinion can have a greater tendency to bring about a closer uniformity in the work than such mutual visits of the brethren of sister Lodges.

I have been able, through the kindness of the brethren of Woodstock and Simcoe, to hold two general Lodges of Instruction—the one under the auspices of King Solomon and Oxford Lodges, on the 18th day of May, at Woodstock, and the other under the auspices of Norfolk Lodge at Simcoe, on the 10th day of June—and I take this opportunity of publicly thanking the members of these Lodges for their kindness in enabling me to carry out the wishes of the Grand Lodge in holding these Lodges of Instruction.

At the first Lodge of Instruction the work of the several degrees was exemplified by W. Bro. Myles, of Burford; W. Bro. Rippon, V. W. Bro. John Kerr and W. Bros. Wilkinson and Morrison, and I am proud to say for all these brethren that they did their work in a manner highly creditable to themselves and in such a way as proved that they were mindful of the many minor alterations recently made in the work. On this occasion we were favored with the attendance of R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, our ever popular Grand Secretary, to whom we acknowledge our thanks for his many valuable suggestions and able assistance.

At the second Lodge of Instruction the work of all the degrees was exemplified by W. Bros. Luscombe, Wells and Ryerson, all of Norfolk Lodge, in a very creditable manner.

The attendance on both occasions was large, and most all the Lodges in the jurisdiction were represented, which was a source of great gratification to me, and I trust of profit to themselves. I have always been an advocate of these Lodges of Instruction, and I cannot too highly commend the action of R. W. Bros. J. Ross Robertson, Sinclair, and other D. D. G. Ms. in holding so many during the year.

I have myself, besides these two general Lodges, endeavored on the occasion of all my visits to hold what practically amounted to Lodges of Instruction, in seeing the work conferred whether there happened to be regular candidates or

not, so as to bring about as great a degree of uniformity in the work throughout the District as possible, and in this way, I believe, good results have been achieved.

There are two Lodges in the District which, I regret to have to report, appear to have declined to such an extent that it seems useless to make further efforts to resuscitate them. I refer to Ridout Lodge, Otterville, and Blenheim Lodge, Drumbo. I have visited both these places, and have made strenuous efforts to get them into working order, but so many of the brethren have left both localities that, notwithstanding the zeal of those who remain, numerically they are unable to carry on their work, and I have recommended them to surrender their charters and those who remain to affiliate with adjoining Lodges; this they promised to do, and I am in hopes it will soon be carried out, as it appears to be useless to allow hopelessly dormant Lodges to retain their charters.

I am pleased to report that no complaint has been made to me in my official capacity, and that I have never been called in to adjudicate on any grievances arising in my jurisdiction, but, on the contrary, I believe the greatest degree of friendship, harmony and brotherly love prevails.

I have issued several dispensations for allowing the brethren to appear in public clothed as Masons in attending Divine worship, and have every confidence that on all occasions everything has been done to reflect credit on our Order.

I have to tender my sincere thanks to W. Bro. Underwood, my District Secretary, for the valuable assistance he has given me in my work, and I have, in conclusion, to express my gratitude to the brethren of the whole District for their uniform kindness and good will manifested towards myself as your representative, and can attest the most profound fealty toward your Grand Body as manifested by the brethren of our Order throughout my jurisdiction.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

J. C. HEGLER,

Ingersoll, 1st July, 1887.

D.D.G.M., Wilson District, No. 6.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada :

In accordance with the Constitution, as District Deputy Grand Master for the seventh Masonic District, I have the honor to submit the following report :

I have visited all the Lodges in this District, and am pleased to report that with few exceptions they are in a prosperous condition and are working harmoniously.

In making my official visits, I adopted the system of inquiry into the condition of each Lodge as suggested by the Board on the Condition of Masonry last year, and would suggest that this be continued from year to year. If this is done, it will not only be of service to Grand Lodge, but of great value to the Private Lodges also, as they will no doubt endeavor to raise their standing, that they may compare more favorably with their sister Lodges.

There are twenty Lodges in this District, with a total membership of about one thousand and fifty, and with a general average attendance for the last twelve meetings up to the date of my visits of two hundred and ninety-eight.

New Hope Lodge, No. 279, Hespeler : Visited March 9th, 1887. Membership, thirty-two ; average attendance, ten and a-half ; meeting held regularly. The W. M. does the work. The dues are fairly well paid up and the general financial standing is fair. They are not in debt, and pay current expenses promptly, but have no funds on hand. The craft records are well kept.

Grand River Lodge, No. 151, Berlin : Visited March 8th, 1887. The important parts of the work in the three degrees were well exemplified by all the elective officers. Meetings are held regularly ; membership, seventy-one ; average attendance, eighteen and one-half. The W. M. does the work. The arrearages of dues are very light. Their general financial standing is good, they having a fund on hand, and the craft records are well kept. The brethren are very enthusiastic, and the future prospects of the Lodge are bright.

Preston Lodge, No. 279, Preston : Visited April 8th, 1887. The W. M. was not present, on account of illness, on the occasion of my visit, but I am informed that he works the Lodge himself. Meetings are held regularly ; membership, twenty-eight ; average attendance, eleven. The dues are fairly well paid up.

Irvine Lodge, No. 203, Elora : Visited January 8th, 1887. Meetings are held regularly ; membership, fifty-three ; average attendance, eighteen. The W. M. does the work. The dues are well paid up, and the general financial standing of the Lodge is good. The craft records are well kept. There is a bright future before it, and they have done good work during the past year.

Guelph Lodge, No. 258, Guelph : Visited April 21st, 1887. The work was well exemplified by the W. M. and the subordinate officers. The meetings are held regularly and the Lodge is doing a good work. Membership, seventy-seven ; average attendance, twenty-one. The W. M. does the work. The arrearages of dues are very light. The general financial standing is good, having a large fund on hand, and the craft records are well kept.

St. Alban's Lodge, No. 200, Mount Forest : Visited Sept. 10th, 1886. Worked by the W. M. The meetings are held regularly. Membership, thirty-seven, and average attendance thirteen. There were a large number of brethren in arrear for dues, some being for a number of years. I suggested that immediate action be taken in the matter, and I have no doubt it has been acted upon. The craft records are well kept.

Alma Lodge, No. 72, Galt : Visited February 10th, 1887. The work was fairly exemplified by the W. M. and subordinate officers. The meetings are held regularly and they are doing a good work. Membership, seventy-eight ; average attendance, eighteen. The W. M. does the work. The arrears of dues were large, and I made suggestions which were at once acted upon, and I have no doubt their financial standing is now much improved. The craft records are well kept. The general financial standing is good, notwithstanding the arrearages.

Wellington Lodge, No. 271, Erin : Visited Nov. 10th, 1886. Work fairly exemplified by elective officers. Meetings are held regularly ; membership, thirty-five ; average attendance, ten. The W. M. does the work. Arrearages of dues are very small. The general financial standing is good. The craft records are fairly kept, but they have not a sufficient number of books ; I suggested that more be procured.

Harriston Lodge, No. 262, Harriston : Visited September 13th, 1886. The meetings are held regularly ; membership, fifty-nine ; average attendance, twenty-six, which, as compared with the actual membership is better than any Lodge in the District. There are no brethren in arrears for dues. The general financial standing is good and the craft records are well kept.

Speed Lodge, No. 180, Guelph ; Visited March 1st, 1887. The work was well exemplified by the W. M. and subordinate officers, and they are doing a good work. The meetings are held regularly ; membership, one hundred and five ; average attendance, twenty-six and a-half ; worked by the W. M. The arrearages of dues are not large and are of short duration.

The general financial standing is good, having a large amount on hand. The craft records are well kept.

Waverley Lodge, No. 361, Guelph : Visited March 22nd, 1887. The work was well exemplified by the W. M. and subordinate officers. The meetings are held regularly ; membership, seventy-seven ; average attendance, nineteen ; worked by the W. M. The arrearages of dues are very light. The general financial standing is good. The craft records are well kept. This Lodge is also doing a good work.

Galt Lodge, No. 257, Galt : Visited May 3rd, 1887. The work was fairly exemplified by the W. M. and subordinate officers, and they are doing a good work. The meetings are held regularly ; membership, seventy ; average attendance, eighteen. The W. M. does the work. The arrearages of dues are very light. The general financial standing is good, and the craft records are well kept.

Harris Lodge, No. 216, Orangeville : Visited November 9th, 1886. The work was fairly exemplified. The meetings are held regularly ; membership, sixty-nine ; average attendance, sixteen ; worked by the W. M. The arrears of dues are very light and the general financial standing is good. The craft records are well kept, and the Lodge is in a prosperous condition.

Mercer Lodge, No. 347, Fergus : Visited August 30th, 1886. The W. M. was not present on the occasion of my visit, being away from home ; worked by the P. M. The meetings are held regularly ; membership, thirty-six ; average attendance, thirteen. No arrearages of dues. The financial standing is fair. Not doing much work. The craft records are fairly kept.

Blair Lodge, No. 314, Palmerston : Visited October 15th, 1886. The meetings are held regularly ; membership, forty-two ; average attendance, eleven ; worked by the W. M. Arrearages of dues light. General financial standing fair. The craft records are well kept. Doing little work.

Conestoga Lodge, No. 295, Drayton : Visited September 14th, 1886. The work was not well exemplified. The meetings are held regularly ; membership, forty-one ; average attendance, twelve ; worked by W. M.

Ayr Lodge, No. 172, Ayr : Visited May 4th, 1887. The work was not exemplified, the officers not being present. Meetings not held regularly, only twelve meetings being held in twenty-two months ; membership, thirty-two, and average attendance, seven and a-half. The work is done by the P. M.

Arrearages of dues are not large nor of long duration. General financial standing very fair. Craft records kept loosely. Have done no work during the past year. I recommended changes, which, if acted upon, will be of benefit to the Lodge.

Durham Lodge, No. 306, Durham: Visited April 5th, 1887. The work was not exemplified, the officers not being present. Meetings are held regularly; membership, forty-five; average attendance, thirteen. I was informed that the W. M. works the Lodge. Arrearages of dues too large for the membership. General financial standing not very satisfactory, but would be if the dues were properly collected. Craft records fairly kept. Doing little work.

Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 334, Arthur: Visited October 11th, 1886. Work not very well exemplified, the subordinate officers not being present. Meetings held regularly; membership, twenty-six; average attendance, eleven. The W. M. does the work. The arrearages of dues are too large, some standing as long as nine years. The craft records are fairly kept.

Clifford Lodge, No. 315, Clifford: Visited October 18th, 1886. The work was fairly exemplified. Meetings held regularly; membership, sixteen; average attendance, eight. The work is done by the W. M. Arrearages of dues too large for so small a Lodge. General financial standing, fair, and the craft records are fairly kept.

I found the working of the subordinate officers in the majority of the Lodges, outside of the City of Guelph, to be very unsatisfactory, and would recommend that the W. Ms. see that each subordinate officer gets up his work.

No deaths have been reported to me, nor have any grievances of importance been brought to my notice.

The redistribution of this District has made it very convenient for the D. D. G. M. to visit each Lodge, he being now enabled to do so by rail, thus allowing visits to be made with little loss of time.

I held no general Lodge of Instruction, but where the officers were present I took the opportunity of my visit to instruct them in the work as exemplified by Grand Lodge last year.

I have to express my warmest thanks for the liberal manner in which the several Lodges defrayed my travelling expenses, there being but one Lodge in the District which failed to do so. I trust they will extend the same liberality to my successor, as recommended by Grand Lodge.

On retiring from this honorable position I beg to return thanks to the officers and brethren in my District for the courtesy and kindness extended to me upon all occasions in the discharge of my duties.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

T. P. SMITH,

Elora, June 20th, 1887.

D.D.G.M., Wellington District No. 7.

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge I have the honor to submit this my first annual report on the Condition of Masonry in the Hamilton District :

There are, as you are no doubt aware, twenty-one Lodges, an increase of three since the last report.

During the year I have visited officially nearly all the Lodges in the District, and have found the rooms and furniture suitable and well adapted for the proper exemplification of the work of the several degrees, which are conferred in accordance with that laid down by the Grand Lodge.

From my visits to the various Lodges, as well as from the best information I have received, I am convinced that the true spirit of Masonry exists throughout this District, and I am pleased to say that no new cause of complaint has come before me this year.

The attendance of the members of the Lodges in the District is most encouraging, and their financial standing very satisfactory.

In all my visits to the Lodges I have been received in the most cordial and fraternal manner, the Worshipful Masters, officers and members doing their utmost to render my visits pleasant and agreeable.

During my term of office I have issued two dispensations for the brethren to attend Divine service in proper Masonic clothing, viz.: Wentworth Lodge, Stoney Creek, No. 166, and Burlington Lodge, No. 165, Burlington, on June 26th, 1887.

One of the largest Masonic gatherings that I have had the pleasure of attending was on the occasion of my official visit to Doric and Brant Lodges in the City of Brantford. There were present on this occasion Most W. Bro. Murray, Most W.

Bro. Klotz, Right W. Bros. Wilson, Hegler, Bull, McPhie and Stewart, together with a large number of brethren from Hamilton and other Lodges. The first degree was conferred by V. W. Bro. Secord, W. M. of Doric Lodge, in a most impressive manner. After the Lodge was closed a banquet was given the visitors at the Kirby House, when a most happy and enjoyable evening was spent.

Under the authority of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, I consecrated and dedicated the new lodge room at St. George to Masonry. On this occasion I was ably and kindly assisted by M. W. Bro. Murray, P. G. M., and Most W. Bro. Klotz, and a number of distinguished brethren from Brantford and other places. After the Lodge was closed the brethren were entertained at a banquet. The new Lodge is very commodious and suitable, and a credit to the Craft, and reflects great praise on the W. M. (Bro. Kitchen), who has held the office of M. for the past eighteen years.

In conclusion, I beg to tender my sincere thanks to Most W. Bro. Murray, R. W. Bro. McPhie, P.D.D.G.M., for their assistance and advice; also to W. Bro. Campbell, W. M. of Burlington Lodge, who as District Secretary accompanied me on my visits and rendered me valuable assistance.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

W. KERNS,

Burlington, July 4th, 1887. *D.D.G.M., Hamilton District No. 8.*

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—In compliance with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, I herewith submit my report on the Condition of Masonry in the Ninth Masonic District :

By the redistribution this District has been made more compact and accessible, but it still covers a large area of territory—some 10,000 square miles—and has within its borders twenty-four Lodges, all of which it has been my privilege to visit.

During the year I have had the pleasure of attending two banquets given in honor of M. W. Grand Master Bro. H. Robertson—the first at Collingwood, given by Manito Lodge, No. 90 (M. W. Bro. Robertson's mother Lodge), and the

second at Barrie, tendered by the two Lodges in that town, Corinthian, 96, and Kerr, 230. On both these occasions beautifully-executed illuminated addresses were presented to the Grand Master. At the Barrie banquet, the attendance being large and representative, I presented, on behalf of the Lodges of the Ninth Masonic District, R. W. Bro. R. King, Past D. D. G. M. of this District, with a valuable D. D. G. M. regalia, and it is not flattery to say that the mark of respect shown by the brethren to R. W. Bro. King is bestowed upon a worthy and deserving brother.

I am glad to be able to report that the Lodges in this District are in a flourishing condition, financially and numerically. I found, from an examination of the Treasurers' books, that all the Lodges are free from debt, and that their assets and funds range from \$300 to nearly \$2,000 each.

As mentioned above, I had the pleasure of visiting all the Lodges in the District, but Prince Arthur Lodge, meeting at Flesherton, failed to issue notices, and consequently no meeting was held. I however examined the books and found everything satisfactory.

In June, 1886, a fire occurred in Bracebridge which very seriously damaged the room and furniture of Muskoka Lodge, No. 360. It affords me pleasure to be able to report that the brethren have fully recovered from their loss, have refitted their room, and are now working with undiminished energy.

I had the pleasure of installing the officers of Seven Star Lodge, No. 285, Alliston, in June, and was ably assisted by W. Bro. Patterson, of Manitoba Lodge, and W. Bro. Wright, of Seven Star Lodge, and to them I beg to return my sincere thanks for services rendered.

I am glad to be able to report that no serious complaints have been submitted to me, and peace and harmony is the characteristic feature of Masonry in the Ninth Masonic District.

Death has called away from our ranks here to the Grand Lodge above : Bro. Albert Homer, of Simcoe Lodge, No. 79, and Bro. Kirkland, of Seven Star Lodge, No. 285.

During the year I granted dispensations to Manito Lodge, No. 90, Collingwood, to hold a Masonic conversazione, and to Pythagoras Lodge, No. 137, Meaford, to attend Divine service, and also for an excursion to be held on the 21st of June.

I cannot close this report without making reference to Granite Lodge, No. 352, Parry Sound. I found a most enthusiastic body of Masons, well skilled in the mysteries of

the Craft, and anxious to receive still further light. I was well pleased with the work done, and was astonished to find so many well skilled Masons settled so far away from the great centres of trade.

I beg to return my sincere thanks to all the members of the Craft in the District for courtesies received. Wherever I went I was received with that fraternal and warm-hearted consideration for which the Masons of this District are so well known, and my visits were made not only profitable to the Lodge, but a source of much pleasure to myself.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

H. S. BROUGHTON,

Bradford, July 1st, 1887.

D.D.G.M., Georgian District No. 9.

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and the Grand Lodge of Canada :

At the end of this my second term of office, I am glad to say that I can speak more encouragingly of the prospects of Freemasonry in the old Niagara District, than I could in my report of last year.

In most of the Lodges I have noticed an increase of zeal and activity, and in many of them much good work has been done. I think that the number initiated during the past winter and spring has been greater than in previous years, and I have every reason to believe that the material admitted has been such as will do no discredit to our great Masonic edifice.

In the matter of progress, I think that the Lodges in the rural districts are ahead of those in the towns. One reason of this appears to be that in most of these Lodges the meetings are largely of a social character. The members scattered over a wide extent of country look forward to Lodge night as a season when they can meet each other and enjoy the pleasure of fraternal intercourse.

In the towns, and in small towns especially, where the brethren are in the habit of seeing one another daily, and when to meet is consequently neither a treat nor a novelty, the communications of the Lodges after become mere business sessions, and are of necessity somewhat dry and uninteresting, except to those who take an active part in them.

Masonry is essentially a social institution, and any attempt to strip it of its social character, generally has the effect of

injuring and weakening it. I have observed that in mere formal business meetings, disputes and discussions on various points often arise which sometimes end in producing estrangements between the brethren. I am myself opposed to all kinds of excess, but I am strongly of the opinion that nothing tends so much to soften down the asperities which may arise during the hours of labor as an hour of real fraternal communion among the brethren after the Lodge has closed, or during the time it is called off to refreshment. The Lodge is in fact the Mason's house, and as we would each of us treat a brother who visited us at our homes, so let us treat one another when we meet together in the house common to all.

While speaking of this matter I would desire to bear testimony to the correct behaviour of the brethren throughout this District during the hours of refreshment. Since holding the office of D. D. G. M. I have been present at many Lodge festivals, and never have I seen on any occasion the least departure from temperance and propriety. Nothing has ever taken place that the most rigid and fastidious would condemn. I do not for a moment suppose that the Niagara District is ahead of any other in this respect, I merely speak of what I myself have observed. The Lodges need no penal enactments, Masonic or otherwise, to restrain them from excess. The brethren fully understand what is right and proper to do at the festive board, and the limit at which to stop, and they act accordingly.

I know that a somewhat different idea to this prevails in many quarters. We sometimes hear eminent brethren bewail the large sums which have been devoted by Lodges to the purchase of refreshments or bestowed in indiscriminate charity on the undeserving. These brethren tell us that those amounts would have gone far towards building Masonic Temples; but it appears to me that such undertakings as the erection of superb and stately edifices are not always beneficial to the Craft. I could myself point to Lodges in this District which have been crippled for years by the burden of debt they have labored under on account of their having taken upon themselves responsibilities too great for their means; and I find the same is the case in every instance where either a Grand Lodge or subordinate Lodges have incurred the cost of erecting a more than usually splendid Temple. They have been compelled to retrench their expenditure, which means that they can no longer contribute as largely as before for the relief of cases of distress or so liberally entertain one another when the brethren meet together.

In my opinion, the mission of Masonry is to develop the

social and benevolent qualities of our nature, rather than to erect edifices for the admiration of the outside world or for the benefit of posterity. Many wealthy English Lodges still meet in the same plain and unpretentious rooms that their fathers and their grandfathers met in, but the hospitality of these Lodges is proverbial and their charities are munificent. They do good in their own generation, and perform the work set before them with the means at their command, leaving to the generations which succeed them something better than mere material wealth: the example of a career of usefulness and benevolence.

There is a matter upon which, I think, some action should be taken by the Grand Lodge. I allude to the custom of Lodges allowing other societies to take part in Masonic funerals and processions. I know that it has already been declared improper, but, notwithstanding this, some Lodges have allowed these mixed funerals. Others, on the contrary, have resolutely refused to appear at the funeral of a brother in regalia when they have found that other organizations had been invited to assist. The consequence has been that these Lodges have in some cases been characterized as narrow-minded and exclusive and overly-particular in the observance of the law. With a great deal of plausibility it is urged that if one Lodge can break the rule another may.

It appears to me that it would be better either to rescind the ruling and leave the matter to each Lodge's own option, or to annex a penalty to the infringement of it. My own opinion is that the rule should be rigidly enforced. Masonry has nothing in common with the other secret societies which exist around us—they exist for one purpose, Masonry for another—they are totally different from it in their aims, their objects and their spirit. I fear that this is too much lost sight of, as I sometimes see comparisons made between the practice of Masonic bodies and that of other societies, and the example of those societies cited as something it would be well for Masons to imitate in many particulars. But those who thus reason forget what the real principles of our Order are. Other societies offer a money benefit for a money payment. Masonry, on the contrary, holds out no such inducements; lessons of truth and wisdom and the pleasures of fraternal intercourse and love are all that she promises to give.

Those societies dole out in times of sickness and affliction such assistance as their written rules prescribe. Masons, on the other hand, are supposed to act in such cases as the promptings of their own hearts suggest, and to be influenced

by those feelings which the sight of a brother in distress ought to arouse in the breast of every faithful member of the Craft.

It has often occurred to me that, in the matter of benevolence in particular, we sometimes show a tendency to depart from the true spirit of our Order by laying down rigid rules of procedure for the boards of relief and charitable committees. In this, as in every other particular, Masonry is free, and those who dispense its charities should be left to follow the dictates of their own consciences and not to be tied down by cast-iron laws. Relief is not given to a man because he has paid dues for a certain number of years and is good on the books, but simply because he is a brother in distress, and as we would act towards our own brother or near relative in similar circumstances so let us act to a brother Mason. He may have been in fault, he may have even omitted to do what has been required of him in the way of monetary contributions, he may have neglected the Lodge in the time of prosperity, but, notwithstanding all this, he is our brother still, and being so we must not turn a deaf ear to his cry in the day of his adversity; we cannot be too particular as to whom we admit to the privileges of brotherhood, but once admitted among us I hold that the mystic tie is so strong that nothing but crime and infidelity to the Order can break it.

It is true that it is the duty of every Mason to perform his part in the great work, by regular attendance at his Lodge meetings and by cheerfully responding to every claim made on him as far as his circumstances in life will allow; if he neglects to do all this he forfeits all right to our esteem and confidence, but not to our pity and our aid.

I know that year after year many brethren grow cold and indifferent, either on account of having formed an erroneous idea of the objects of our order, or having failed in some ambitious designs they become careless and dissatisfied, and finally leave us in apathy or disgust to swell the ranks of the unaffiliated.

How to deal with these weak brethren, especially when they return in the time of distress to solicit relief from those they have abandoned, is a question which has puzzled the wisest heads amongst us. The only sure remedy is to guard our approaches more carefully, to admit none but those who, in addition to the necessary moral qualifications possess the intelligence requisite to make them successful workers among us, and such income or property as will enable them to meet all the claims that the craft may make upon them, without injury or hardship to themselves or their connections. Free-

masonry was never intended to be a popular institution, the aim of its early promoters was rather to make it select, and in most European countries it is still confined to the wealthy and educated classes. In our own democratic land we have to be less exclusive, but let us not rush to the other extreme and so lower the standard as to make it impossible to preserve the true original design of the institution.

NEW LODGES.

I think that a mistake is often made and injury consequently inflicted on the Craft by the too hasty establishment of new Lodges. It sometimes happens that from some cause or other a great deal of Masonic enthusiasm prevails in a locality, and a new Lodge is advocated and asked for. But before complying with such a request it is well to consider how the granting it would affect other Lodges already existing, and to be satisfied that there is a reasonable probability of an additional Lodge being permanently supported. In some cases, Lodges which were formed under what appeared very auspicious circumstances, have gradually dwindled and fallen away, and in others new Lodges have succeeded only because they have absorbed the life blood and annexed the territory of older ones. Let us then be careful not to mistake a mere passing and temporary excitement for a wide spread and deep rooted attachment to Freemasonry, and not to deprive a well established Lodge of its means of support in order to found a new one in its vicinity.

Perhaps this evil is felt most in cities and towns which have a greater number of Lodges than is absolutely necessary, such a state of things is apt to produce an improper rivalry which often ends in strife, contention and estrangement. The available material in the concurrent jurisdiction, not being sufficient to maintain all the Lodges, improper influence is sometimes brought to bear in order to induce persons intending to connect themselves with the Order, to choose one Lodge in preference to another.

Overly zealous brethren whose zeal is not according to knowledge, may be tempted to speak disparagingly of a rival Lodge in order to persuade a candidate to join their own in preference. If it be improper and unmasonic to solicit persons to join the Craft, it is equally improper and unmasonic to persuade those who have expressed their intention of joining, to apply to one Lodge rather than another.

HISTORY AND ANTIQUITIES.

In my report of last year I called special attention to the fact that this District contained the oldest Lodge in Ontario,

and also another Lodge which could boast the existence of nearly ninety years. Since that time I have devoted considerable attention to the subject, and I am convinced that this latter Lodge, Union No. 7, Grimsby, is even older than its existing records show it to be.

I also recommended that a masonic history of the District should be written and R. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson kindly offered to print the history as soon as it was completed.

I entered on the task with a great deal of enthusiasm, and addressed circulars to all the Lodges and to eminent brethren both in the District and out of it, most of these to whom I applied kindly promised me their assistance, and from some quarters I have already received valuable documents and other aids. But the task of collecting the material for such a work is necessarily a tedious one and requires much time to accomplish. I do not despair of yet being able to gather from various sources such an amount of information as will warrant the commencement of it.

I may say that during the past year heavy domestic affliction has somewhat unfitted me for the task. I have been unable to bring to it that spirit and that energy by which alone it can be carried to a successful completion.

While speaking on the subject of antiquities, I may mention that the brethren of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 105, Drummondville, have procured fitting show cases for the purpose of preserving and displaying the jewels and regalia of the old Lodge of Friends, No. 12, Stamford, long extinct. These interesting relics came into the possession of St. Mark's Lodge a few years ago, they may now be seen in the ante-room by any brother who may choose to pay that Lodge a visit. Those among us for whom the past possesses any claim should take the first opportunity of doing so, they will be well repaid for their trouble. I need hardly say that from the brethren of St. Mark's they would get a hearty reception.

DEATHS.

The death roll of the District for the present year contains the names of some prominent and zealous brethren. First, I may mention that of W. P. M. L. J. Weatherby, of Amity Lodge No. 32, Dunnville, who died while Grand Lodge was in session at Windsor in 1886. He had been a member of Amity for nearly thirty-five years; his attachment to Masonry was deep and sincere, and his judgment, zeal and uprightness had given him a leading position among the brethren of his Lodge; he was called away at a good old age, having passed the solemn limit of eighty years.

In W. Bro. C. Goldboro, who died at Drummondville during the past winter, Masonry loses a most enthusiastic and faithful brother. He was one of the most prominent members of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 105, and his kindly and generous disposition had won for him the affection of not only the brethren of his own Lodge, but of every Mason who had the privilege of knowing him. When I visited St. Mark's in October last he was in the full vigor of health and strength, and took a leading part in the proceedings of the evening, a few months later I heard he had been stricken down in the prime of manhood—such is life. Two other members of St. Mark's have also been called away during the year—Brother Elijah Shainholt, a very old and faithful Mason, and Bro. Geo. Duncan, Sheriff of the County of Welland, a gentleman very highly esteemed by every one who knew him.

Brother Shainholt was at the point of death when I visited St. Mark's. On that occasion a message from him was delivered to the brethren by one of the Wardens, to the effect that he wished to see them all once more before he passed away to the Grand Lodge above.

Such an occurrence as this speaks most highly for the relations which existed between the dying Mason and his brethren; if he wished them around him in death, then we cannot but conclude that they had done their duty by him in life and that they had been brothers not merely in name but in reality.

It also shows that the love of Freemasonry which could thus outlive all other earthly desires must have been of the true and genuine kind, and that our deceased brother was a Mason indeed.

V. W. Bro. E. G. Thompson, Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of Canada, who died at Niagara during the past spring, was a gentleman who held a high position in the Craft and in society. He was an officer in Her Majesty's Customs at the Port of Niagara, and also Colonel of one of our Volunteer Regiments. He was a native of Old Niagara, and a P. M. of Lodge No. 2. I spent a very pleasant evening with him when visiting the Lodge in August last, and was much pained to hear of his sudden death. At the last session of Grand Lodge he represented Old Niagara, No. 2, and received from the M. W. the Grand Master the appointment of Grand Steward.

Bro. Howard, of King Solomon's Lodge, No. 329, Jarvis, and Bro. M. F. Haney, of Amity, No. 32, Dunnville, have also been called away in the prime of life, the latter by a most melancholy accident. All these brethren were interred by

their respective Lodges with the ancient ceremonies of the Order.

BY-LAWS.

While visiting the Lodges, I have frequently taken the opportunity of looking over their By-laws, and I have found in several instances that some of them contained provisions clearly unconstitutional and illegal, although they had received the approval of former Grand Masters.

One reason of this would appear to be that several important alterations have been made in our Constitution within the last preceding five years. Where the By-laws of a Lodge have not been amended so as to agree with these alterations it is clear that they will conflict with the Constitution.

It is probable that at the ensuing session of Grand Lodge the Constitution will be further amended to a considerable extent. After this has been done, it would be well for all Lodges to have their By-laws inspected and revised by competent brethren.

DISPENSATIONS AND FESTIVALS.

I have issued two Dispensations to Lodges to attend Divine Service in Masonic Regalia, one to Niagara Lodge, No. 2, Niagara, the other to Merritt Lodge, No. 168, Welland.

On the Festival of St John, the Evangelist, I assisted at the installation of the officers of McNab Lodge, No. 169, Port Colborne; Amity Lodge, No. 32, Dunnville; and Mystic Lodge, No. 337, Port Robinson, having procured from the M. W. the Grand Master a Dispensation to install their officers on other than the usual day, I had an opportunity of being present with these Lodges also during their installation ceremony.

On the Festival of St. John, the Baptist, I went by special invitation to Grimsby, to take part in installing the newly elected officers of the old Union Lodge No. 7. I had the pleasure of meeting there my esteemed predecessor R. Wor. Bro. Wm. Gibson, who took part in the evening's proceedings, and also several other brethren from Ivy Lodge. According to ancient custom the brethren of Union Lodge entertained the visitors at a banquet at Bro. Randall's Hotel. I was accompanied on that occasion by Wor. Bro. J. W. McCollem, of Amity Lodge, No. 32, and by the Dist. Chaplain, Rev. Bro. P. W. Smith, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Dunnville. After the conclusion of the banquet the Rev. Brother made a short but most beautiful and appropriate discourse on the characters of our two eminent patrons, St. John, the Baptist and St. John, the Evangelist. The Grimsby brethren

ren were much pleased with the remarks of the Rev. Brother, and said that his speech was one of the best they had ever listened to.

In conclusion I may add, that I have during the last year visited every Lodge in the District with the exception of one, and that one I intend to visit on Monday next.

The work, as a general rule, is correctly done, and the business of the Lodges efficiently managed. I think, however, that it would be for the benefit of all Lodges to be represented at every session of Grand Lodge by their properly qualified Officers, and failing that by one of their own Past Masters, and I am also of opinion that Lodges which are in the habit of electing their Worshipful Master for a second term are generally better governed than those that change their Master every year.

I believe I can safely say that harmony prevails in every Lodge throughout the District, except one, Amity No. 32, Dunnville. Complaints having been made by a Wor. P. Master against the Lodge, the M. Wor. the Grand Master has appointed a Committee to investigate the matter, and I presume the Commissioners will dispose of it as soon as possible after the session of the Grand Lodge.

During the past year as well as the one which preceded it I have received much valuable assistance in the discharge of my official duties from the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, and from prominent brethren in the District, more especially from M. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour, P. G. M., whom I always found ready and willing to aid with his counsel in every emergency, and whose clear judgment and great Masonic knowledge enable him to throw light upon every question laid before him.

During the past year as during the previous one V. W. Bro. W. W. Braund has most efficiently filled the office of District Secretary.

Whether the District has been benefitted by my labors for the past two years I will not pretend to say, but this much I know, that I have myself reaped much advantage. The attention which I have been compelled to give to numbers of questions relating to Masonry has had the effect of materially increasing my knowledge of our Ritual, our Jurisprudence and our Customs. And more than this, the friendships which my intercourse with the Craft enabled me to form have been strengthened and cemented. The authority with which I have been invested I shall shortly resign, and the official connection between us will cease, but the friendly relations and the brotherly affection which have been born of that connection

will neither cease nor pass away, but will, I trust, endure, not only while we shall continue to assemble in the Lodge below, but even after we have been called to the rest and glories of the Grand Lodge above.

THOS. L. M. TIPTON,

D. D. G. M., Niagara District No. 10.

Dunnville, July 2nd, 1887.

TORONTO DISTRICT No. 11.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—I have the honor to submit my Annual Report as to the condition of the Craft in the Eleventh District. My first official acts were the appointment of W. Bro. F. F. Manley, P. M. of Ionic Lodge, No. 25, as District Secretary, and the issue of a circular letter which called special attention to the clause in the Constitution providing that it was necessary that the Ancient Charges, the Regulations of Grand Lodge for Private Lodges, and the By-laws of every Lodge be read in open Lodge once in each year, and particularly to the qualifications required by those elected to the office of Master, prior to installation. The letter read as follows :

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA, A. F. AND A. M. THE ELEVENTH
MASONIC DISTRICT.

Office of the District Deputy Grand Master.

Toronto, 21st July, 1886.

DEAR SIR AND WORSHIPFUL BROTHER :—In assuming the duties of District Deputy Grand Master of the Eleventh District, I have appointed W. Bro. F. F. Manley District Secretary, and communications for me addressed to his care will secure prompt attention.

I beg to call your attention to clause 107, page 44, of the constitution which reads :

“The Master of every Lodge is to cause the regulations of Grand Lodge relating to Private Lodges, and the by-laws of his Lodge, to be read in open Lodge once every year.”

Kindly see that the requirements of the Constitution are carried out.

The ancient charges may be read at one meeting, the regulations at another, and the by-laws at a third. The time occupied will thus be divided, and brethren not wearied.

I also beg to call special attention to the fact that it is requisite that all those elected to the office of Master must be expert Craftsmen, well skilled in the work, and presented to a Board of Installed Masters for examination prior to installation. The next elections for the office of Master will be held in November and December, and in the interests of the fraternity it is necessary that the regulations laid down in the Installation Ceremony should be carried out. All those elected to the office of Master will have

to undergo examination so that I may know that they possess the necessary qualifications. I shall, therefore, if requested, either attend personally or send an Examining Master to every Lodge in the District, to examine him whom the brethren may select to rule over them. All newly elected officers must be able to open and close and exemplify the work in the three degrees. The office of Master is one of great honor, and there should be no royal road to it. It is unfair to earnest, attentive Craftsmen who study so as to become skilled in the work, that others who are utterly incompetent, should be vested with the rank and honor. Grand Lodge has declared that the Past Master who presents for Installation, as well skilled, a candidate who is not, commits a grave Masonic offence; and as some doubt has been expressed in the past concerning the efficiency of Boards of Installed Masters, in order that in the future no discredit may be brought on the Craft, those elected must prove their knowledge before Installation.

Enclosed you will find a condensed report of the business transacted at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge at Windsor. If read in Lodge it will give your members a fair knowledge of the proceedings.

You will notice in the proceedings that on motion of M. W. Bro. Spry, clause 109 of the Constitution has been amended, by inserting after the word "days" in the first line, the words "and hours." The clause now reads:—"The regular days and hours of meeting of the Lodge shall be specified in the by-laws." Please have your by-laws so amended.

My time is at the disposal of Lodges, and I shall be happy to co-operate with the brethren in any work that will tend to the advancement of Craftwork.

Yours fraternally,

J. ROSS ROBERTSON, D. D. G. M.

OFFICIAL VISITATIONS.

I have officially visited each of the thirty-five Lodges in this District twice. Five of these Lodges I have visited three times, and one four times, making a total of seventy-eight visits, as will be observed by the tabulated statement, giving the list of lodges, the distance in miles from Toronto, showing the miles travelled in making these visitations to be 2,160.

In making these visitations no notification was given on the occasion of the first visit, so that I might see the ordinary work of the Lodge, without the advantage of preparation. Of my second and subsequent visits all Lodges were duly notified, in the form given in this circular:

SECOND SERIES OF OFFICIAL VISITS.

Toronto, April 15th, 1887.

DEAR SIR AND W. BROTHER,—I am directed by R. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, D. D. G. M., to inform you that he will pay official visits to the Lodges of this District on the dates indicated at foot of this circular. Where the visits are not set down for Regular Meetings the D. D. G. M. would feel obliged if you will call an Emergent Meeting, so that he may be able to visit all the Lodges in the District by the end of the second week in June. It is particularly requested that the W. M. and all the

officers be present at these visitations, prepared to exemplify the work of opening and closing in the three degrees, and working as they may be able the Third, Second or First degrees. The enclosed form please instruct your Secretary to fill up, and have ready for the D. D. G. M. on the occasion of his visit. These meetings have been arranged so that they should be as convenient as possible to Lodges. You will readily understand that to visit all on the regular nights would occupy about four months, so that without emergencies it would be impossible to make this second series of visits.

If an emergency is required, please notify me that you have called it as requested.

Yours fraternally,

F. F. MANLEY,

District Secretary.

THE ELEVENTH DISTRICT—OFFICIAL VISITS 1886-87.

No. Lodge.	Name.	Place.	1st Visit.	2nd Visit.	3rd Visit.	Distance from Toronto.	Miles Travelled
16	St. Andrew's....	Toronto.....	9th Nov. '86	14th June '87			
22	King Solomon..	"	13th Jan. '87	12th May '87			
25	Ionic.....	"	2nd Nov. '86	20th April '87	3rd May '87		
65	Rehoboam	"	4th Nov. '86	2nd June '87			
75	St. John's	"	1st Nov. '86	6th June '87			
86	Wilson.....	"	21st Dec. '86	18th Jan. '87	19th April '87		
218	Stevenson	"	29th Sept. '86	8th Nov. '86	13th June '87		
247	Ashlar.....	"	23rd Nov. '86	25th April '87			
316	Doric.....	"	20th Jan. '87	16th June '87			
326	Zetland.....	"	25th Oct. '86	25th April '87			
346	Occident	"	19th Jan. '87	15th June '87			
367	St. George.....	"	1st Oct. '86	3rd June '87			
339	Orient.....	"	5th Oct. '86	13th May '87			
384	Alpha.....	Parkdale	7th Oct. '86	27th April '87	21st May '87	3	12
410	Zeta.....	"	25th Nov. '86	27th Dec. '86	23rd April '87	3	12
23	Richmond.....	Richm'd Hill	24th Jan. '87	17th May '87		17	68
54	Vaughan.....	Maple.....	24th Jan. '87	7th June '87		20	80
87	Mark'm Union	Markham.....	13th Dec. '86	6th May '87		23	92
97	Sharon.....	Sharon.....	31st Jan. '87	31st May '87		38	152
99	Tuscan.....	Newmarket...	12th Jan. '87	18th May '87		34	136
118	Union.....	Schomberg...	7th Feb. '87	2nd May '87		33	132
129	Rising Sun.....	Aurora.....	26th Nov. '86	4th Feb. '87		30	120
136	Richardson	Stouffville....	28th Jan. '87	17th June '87		29	116
265	Patterson	Thornhill.....	9th Dec. '86	5th May '87		14	56
292	Robertson.....	Nobleton.....	2nd Feb. '87	1st June '87		25	100
305	Humber.....	Weston.....	5th Jan. '87	25th May '87		8	32
311	Blackwood.....	Woodbridge..	7th Jan. '87	10th May '87		17	68
343	Georgina.....	Sutton.....	16th Dec. '86	10th June '87		54	216
369	Mimico.....	Lambton.....	12th Oct. '86	7th Dec. '86	17th Jan. '87	8	64
229	Ionic.....	Brampton.....	10th Nov. '86	27th May '87		21	84
356	River Park.....	Streetsville...	4th Jan. '87	9th June '87		21	84
220	Zeredatha.....	Uxbridge.....	6th Dec. '86	30th May '87		41	164
156	York.....	Eglinton.....	5th Nov. '86	19th May '87		4	16
269	Brougham U'n	Brougham...	15th Dec. '86	11th May '87		30	120
354	Brock.....	Cannington...	6th Oct. '86	4th May '87		59	236

Thirty-five Lodges.

Seventy-eight Visits.

Miles Travelled—2,160.

Visited 4th time { Zeta Lodge, No. 410, Parkdale, 28th April, 1887.
{ Mimico Lodge, No. 369, Lambton, 26th May, 1887.

The following form is the one referred to in the circular, and with the information afforded I have been able to give more detailed information concerning the Lodges than I could otherwise have done. The answers to the enquiries have as a general rule been filled out by Secretaries prior to my visit, and although these queries look somewhat formidable, even when not ready for me, I found no trouble in filling them out in twenty or thirty minutes. I fraternally recommend the form to Grand Lodge as giving the complete history of a Lodge for twelve months, so that the work can be readily reviewed.

THE ELEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT. RETURNS FOR THE
INFORMATION OF THE D. D. G. M.

To the Secretary. . . Please fill up answers to all the questions, except those marked ‡, and keep this return for the D. D. G. M.

..... District Secretary.

..... Lodge, No., Meets at on
.....
W. Master's name and P. O. address
Secretary's name and P. O. address
When visited by the D. D. G. M., dates (1)..... (2)
No. members on roll..... No. at visit (1)..... (2).....
No. P. Masters present..... No. visitors present.....
Work done at visit..... E. A..... F. C..... M. M.....
By whom.....
Quality of work of W. M. ‡.....
.....
of wardens ‡..... of deacons ‡.....
What degrees W. M. has worked in full in his year, June-June.....
Can the W. M. open and close in degrees ‡.....
What degrees P. Masters have worked in year.....
No. affiliations in year..... Joinings..... Restorations.....
Withdrawals..... Suspensions.....
No. Honorary members Life..... Ordinary..... Total.....
Deaths. Give name and rank
.....
Meetings held..... Regular..... Emergent..... Total.....
Meetings missed and why.....
Average attendance of members for year.....
No. and dates of Lodges of Instruction held.....
Condition of Secretary's books ‡.....
Condition of Treasurer's books ‡.....
Is cash received by Secretary promptly handed over to Treasurer ‡.....
Are funds deposited in a bank ‡..... In whose name.....
If in names of W. M. and Treasurer, state so.....
Dues per year \$..... No. members in arrear over one year.....
over two..... over three..... over four..... over five.....
Longest period any member in arrear..... years.
Assets \$..... Liabilities \$.....
Is hall owned or leased by Lodge..... Value of hall \$.....
Is building insured..... Value of furniture \$.....

Is furniture insured.....Is the hall suitable.....
 Is inventory of furniture kept outside of Lodge room.....
 Was Lodge represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge.....
 Directly or by proxy.....
 Have the ancient charges and Reg. for private Lodges been read in
 Lodge during year.....
 Are Grand Lodge returns and dues sent regularly.....
 Opinion as to the future prosperity of Lodge ‡.....

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

For the purpose of inculcating perfect uniformity of text and knowledge of the floor work in exemplification, I have held seven District Lodges of Instruction. The work was exemplified with absolute accuracy in every respect by a staff of officers carefully selected. These Lodges were especially for the benefit and guidance of W. Ms., Wardens and Deacons, as it has been frequently found that, at Lodges of Instruction, too large an attendance of the Craft at large hampered the work by irrelevant discussions.

The Lodges of Instruction were held as follows :

1st. At the Toronto Street Hall, Toronto, 27th Oct., 1886. The E. A. was exemplified by V. W. Bro. Geo. Tait, of St. Andrew's, the F. C. by W. Bro. Davison, of Zetland. On the 29th Oct., the M. M. degree was exemplified in the same hall, by W. Bro. W. S. Jackson, of Ashlar. The attendance was very large, 120 members of Lodges being present on the 27th and 40 officers of Lodges, 25 Lodges being represented. On the 29th 132 members were present, and 60 officers, 28 lodges being represented. At the conclusion of the work questions were invited, and interest was evinced by the intelligent manner points were discussed.

2nd. At the Masonic Hall, Aurora, 28th Nov., 1886. The E. A. was exemplified R. W. Bro. G. J. Bennet, G. R., of Zeta ; the F. C. by W. Bro. S. Davison, of Zetland ; the M. M. by V. W. Bro. Geo. Tait, of St. Andrew's. The attendance was large, 60 members being present, including 40 officers of Lodges, 12 Lodges being represented.

3rd. At the Masonic Hall, Markham, on the 13th Dec., 1886. The E. A. and F. C. were exemplified by W. Bro. John Fletcher, and the M. M. by R. W. Bro. G. J. Bennett. The attendance was small, 28 members being present, 18 of whom were officers, 12 lodges being represented.

4th. At the Masonic Hall, Lambton Mills, 17th Jan., 1887. The E. A. was exemplified by W. Bro. C. F. Mansell, of Zeta ; the F. C. and M. M. by W. Bro. J. Fletcher, of Zetland. The attendance was fair, 30 members being present,

including 13 officers of the lodges, and 8 lodges were represented.

5th. At the Masonic Hall, Richmond Hill, on the 24th Jan., 1887. The E. A. and F. C. were exemplified by W. Bro. F. M. Morson, and the M. M. by V. W. Bro. Geo. Tait. The attendance was large, 90 members of Lodges were present, including 26 officers of Lodges, and 15 Lodges being represented.

6th. At the Masonic Hall, Sharon, 31st Jan., 1887. The E. A. was exemplified by V. W. Bro. Geo. Tait; the F. C. by W. Bro. F. M. Morson, of Ionic, and the M. M. by R. W. Bro. G. J. Bennett. The attendance was small, 21 being present, including 10 officers of Lodges, 5 Lodges being represented. Selections only of the F. C. and M. M. were given.

7th. At the Masonic Hall, Stouffville, on the 28th Jan. 1887. The attendance was small, and assisted by W. Bro. F. M. Morson, of Ionic Lodge, No. 25, Toronto, I gave instructions in the opening and closing in the three degrees, with sections of the floor work, especially those portions in which the Wardens and Deacons are concerned.

It is but fair that I should mention the brethren who acted as officers at these Lodges of Instruction, for, at much personal inconvenience, many of them accompanied me in my visits, and all vied with one another in their efforts to give a perfect exemplification: R. W. Bro. G. J. Bennett, V. W. Bros. G. Tait, A. W. Carkeek, G. O.; W. Bros. W. S. Jackson. C. F. Mansell, F. M. Morson, A. D. Ponton, of Ashlar; R. Cuthbert, Jno. Fletcher; Bros. Benjamin Allen, of Ashlar; W. H. Taylor, M. Macleod, W. R. Cavell, of Zeta; Gilbert Percy, of Ashlar; Jackson Blizzard, of Zeta; R. L. Barwick, Ionic; Jas. Glanville, of St. Andrew's.

While I think that these Lodges of Instruction have done a certain amount of good in securing uniformity of work, yet from the character of the work in the various Lodges, especially those outside the city, I am convinced that individual instruction in each Lodge by a skilled Master, with a permanent Lodge of Instruction in Toronto, which would meet on stated dates, say once every two months, would render a far greater amount of benefit than the holding of Lodges of Instruction in different parts of the District. I suggest Toronto, as it is central, easy of access, the halls commodious, the appointments perfect, and a staff of officers can always be selected who can be depended upon for skill and expertness. With such Lodges, or schools of preparation,

due notification being given, I am sure officers from all parts of the District would only be too anxious to attend, and thus gain the required knowledge and perfect themselves in the duties of their respective offices. These Lodges might be attached as is usual to a warranted Lodge or specially licensed by the Grand Master.

LODGES VISITED.

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and eighty-two members on its roll. The average attendance is twenty-eight. The W. M. was not present, owing to absence from the city, at my second official visit. He opens and closes in all the degrees, and exemplifies correctly the E. A., but not the F. C. or M. M. The work of the Wardens, Deacons and I. G. is excellent. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are well kept; the cash is paid over promptly and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased from the Masonic Hall Trust. The Lodge share of furniture is \$650; is insured by the Trust. There are twenty-three members over one year in arrear, four over two, and two over three. The arrears at date of visit were \$162. The invested funds amount to \$1,763; the assets to \$3,500; liabilities, *nil*. This Lodge is one of the oldest in Canada, is well conducted, and the utmost harmony prevails.

King Solomon Lodge, No. 22, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and fifty-six members, with an average attendance of thirty-one. The W. M., who is a P. M., exemplifies the three degrees, and is a good worker. The work of the Wardens and Deacons is very fair. The books of the Secretary are exceedingly well kept; the funds are promptly paid to the Treasurer and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased from the Masonic Hall Trust. The Lodge's share of the furniture is \$650, and is insured by the Trust. The Lodge has a special insurance on jewels for \$100. There are no members in arrear over two years, and only six over one. The invested funds amount to \$1,276; assets, about \$2,000; liabilities, *nil*. For some years, owing to circumstances known to Grand Lodge, the Lodge membership has not increased, but I am pleased to state that the cloud of unrest has disappeared, and at the May meeting three candidates were accepted. The outlook is, therefore, hopeful, and, from the exertions of the W. M., I have no doubt that in the near future the harmony will be completely restored, and the Lodge experience its old-time vigor.

Ionic Lodge, No. 25, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and seventeen members on its register, the average attendance being thirty. The W. M. is perfect in his work,

and exemplifies all the degrees in an accurate and masterly manner. His Wardens' work is rather weak, but that of the Deacons fair. This Lodge is one of a group that ranks with the best in the District. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are in excellent condition; the cash is promptly paid over and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased, the Lodge being one of nine forming the Masonic Hall Trust. In dues, one brother is four years and two over three years in arrear. The assets are \$2,000, of which \$1,000 is invested. The Lodge has a number of P. M.s, some of whom are bright workers. The outlook for the Lodge could not be better. A novel feature in Ionic is the passing of the charity-box every evening after refreshments. The funds thus received are devoted to charity. The Lodge supports a cot in the Lakeside Home for Little Children, on Toronto Island.

Rehoboam Lodge, No. 65, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and forty-six members, with an average attendance of thirty-six. The W. M. opens and closes in the three degrees, and exemplifies the E. A. I first visited this Lodge 4th Nov., 1886, and this year for my second visit I asked the W. M. to call an emergent meeting for the 20th May, as in making two official visits to all the Lodges in the District I found it impossible to meet in every case with the Lodges on their regular nights. The W. M., however, declined to call an emergency, stating that the Lodge, although one of the wealthiest in Canada, would deem it an unnecessary expense. I therefore arranged to postpone my visit to Sutton on the 2nd June in order to be at Rehoboam on its regular night, and so notified the W. M.; but a few hours before the Lodge was called I received a letter stating that he could not be on hand, as important business called him out of the city. I visited the Lodge, however, and examined the Wardens' and Deacons' work, which was good. The F. C. and M. M. have been exemplified during the year by P. Ms., and I therefore presume that the W. M. is unable to exemplify in these degrees. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are fair; cash is promptly paid over and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased from the Masonic Hall Trust, is suitable and in good condition. The Lodge's share of the furniture is \$650; is insured by the Masonic Hall Trust, with a special insurance of \$100. The amount in arrears at date of visit was about \$400. There are thirty-two members in arrears over one year, twenty-four over two, four over four, and one over five. The assets, including invested funds, are about \$4,000; liabilities, about \$100. This Lodge is prosperous, although but little work has presented itself this year. For some reason or other

there seems to be a ray of unrest, or rather want of fraternity and harmony on the part of the W. M. with his officers. My impression is that the exercise of the spirit of good-fellowship would conduce to the future welfare of this Lodge.

St. John's Lodge, No. 75, Toronto: This Lodge has a membership of one hundred and ninety-eight, and an average attendance of forty. The W. M. opens and closes in all the degrees. His exemplification of the work in the E. A. is fair, in the F. C. average, and his M. M. might be closer work. The Wardens' work is good, and that of the Deacons average. The W. M. has exemplified all the work—P. Ms. have also done so. The condition of the books of the Secretary and Treasurer is good. The cash is promptly paid over and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased from the Masonic Hall Trust, the share of the furniture owned by the Lodge is \$650. It is insured. There are seventeen members in arrears over one year, fifteen over two, five over three, one over four, and one over five. This Lodge, like many others, does not deal as promptly with delinquent members as circumstances demand; neither is the by-law regarding suspension strictly adhered to. The members are summoned for non-payment, and although the law provides that either a reasonable excuse or appearance by the brother must be made, still the unauthorized excuse of any brother for the delinquent is taken, and action postponed. It would be better if the provisions of the by-law were changed than not be adhered to strictly. The amount on the books at date of visit was \$800. The assets are about \$5,000, of which about \$3,000 is invested. The liabilities are only nominal. St. John's is a well-conducted Lodge. The W. M. is an earnest and zealous Mason, one who has the respect of the Craft, and his energy in dealing with Lodge matters is appreciated. The W. M. and officers elected in June are brethren who I am satisfied will give the work in an accurate and satisfactory manner. This Lodge supports a cot in the Lakeside Home for Little Children, on Toronto Island.

Wilson Lodge, No. 86, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and sixteen members on its register; the average attendance is forty. The W. M. exemplifies all the degrees, and is above an average worker. His Wardens' work is fair, that of his Deacons not accurate. The Secretary's and Treasurer's books are well kept, The cash is paid over promptly and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased from the Masonic Hall Trust, is suitable and in good order. The share of the Lodge in the furniture is \$650. It is insured. The arrears of dues at date of my last visit were \$27.20 and the

longest period any one member is in arrear is over two years. The assets are \$1,526, of which \$500 is invested. The liabilities \$60. The Lodge is doing good work.

Stevenson Lodge, No. 218, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and twelve members, with an average attendance of forty-seven. The W. M. has exemplified all the degrees and is a very fair worker. His Wardens and Deacons give good average work. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are well kept; the cash is paid over promptly to the Treasurer and deposited in a chartered bank. The Secretary elected last year failed to account for about \$280 of Lodge funds, and appropriated them to his own use. He has been disciplined and recommended for expulsion. This is another case where failure to pay over Lodge monies has led to speculation by officers. The hall is leased from the Masonic Hall Trust. The Lodge share of furniture is \$650, and is insured by the Trust. There are no members in arrear of dues. The invested funds are \$900, and the assets about \$1,800; liabilities *nil*. The Lodge is well conducted, and is making good progress.

Ashlar Lodge, No. 247, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and twenty-five members on its register, the average attendance being thirty. The W. M. is one of the closest workers in the District, and with his Wardens, gives the exemplification with fidelity and accuracy of detail. The Deacons' work is very fair. This Lodge is noted for its good work. The books of both Secretary and Treasurer are in first rate order; the cash is deposited in a chartered institution. The hall is leased, is in good condition, is suitable, is well furnished, but ante-room accommodation is very poor. The furniture is valued at \$920, is insured for \$750, and an inventory is kept inside the Lodge building, and not as it should be, outside. The invested funds are \$457, the assets \$1,541, liabilities *nil*. The arrears of dues at date of visit were \$200, and the longest period any one member is in arrears is over two years. The Lodge has a benevolent fund of about \$1,500. This Lodge stands pre-eminently in the front rank with about four other city Lodges. Its success is assured; the utmost harmony prevails. The W. M. and officers have weekly rehearsals for work, and it is indeed a "model" Lodge.

Doric Lodge, No. 316, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and eight members, with an average attendance of twenty-eight. The W. M. opens and closes just fairly well, and exemplifies the E. A. with tolerable correctness, but not the F. C. or M. M. He has, however, never given any work in the Lodge. P. Masters have exemplified the three degrees.

The S. W.'s. work is excellent, and that of the Deacons fair. The J. W. has not been in the Lodge since the night of installation. The books of the Secretary are kept in a thoroughly business-like manner, and those of the Treasurer are satisfactory. The hall is leased from the Masonic Hall Trust, and is suitable. The Lodge share of the furniture is \$650, and is insured by the Trust. The dues are collected closely, only one member being in arrear over two years. The amount on the books at date of visit was \$355. The invested funds are \$542, and the assets about \$1,600. The prospects of the Lodge would be better if the W. M. would rehearse the work with the officers. Dull exemplification by a W. M. tends to weaken the interest of not only officers but members. This Lodge suffered last year by the illness of the I. P. M., an excellent officer, whose continued ill health compelled him to give up Lodge work.

Zetland Lodge, No. 326, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and fourteen members on its register; the average attendance is twenty-four. The W. M. exemplifies all the degrees, and is one of the brightest workers in the District. Before his installation he could give not only his own work, but that of all his officers. His S. W. is just a passable worker, and his J. W. is a very fair one. The work of his Deacons is above the average. The Secretary's books are well kept, but returns might be more promptly made. The cash is paid over to the Treasurer and deposited in a chartered bank. Last December returns were not ready until May. The books of the Treasurer are all that could be desired. The hall is leased from the Masonic Hall Trust. The Lodge's share of the furniture is \$650, and it is fully insured. There are only three members in arrears over two years. The assets are \$900; liabilities, *nil*. Arrears of dues at date of visit, \$109.80. The prospects of the Lodge are excellent. This Lodge will group in the front rank with the best in the District. This Lodge supports a cot in the Lakeside Home for Little Children, on Toronto Island. At one meeting, at the refreshment table, over \$200 was collected for this purpose in the charity-box.

Occident Lodge, No. 346, Toronto: This Lodge has one hundred and thirty-four members on its register; the average attendance is thirty. The W. M. opens and closes in all, and exemplifies the E. A. very fairly, but only part of the F. C. and none of the M. M. P. M.s have given the F. C. and M. M. The Warden's work is a good average, that of the Deacons weak, and that of the I. G. good. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are in excellent condition, those of the

former especially. He is very painstaking and careful. The funds are paid to the Treasurer promptly and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased ; is suitable, and is in good condition. The furniture is valued at \$750 ; insured for \$500. There are twenty members in arrears over one year, three over two, and one over four. The assets are \$1,000 ; the liabilities *nil*. This Lodge is prosperous, well attended by P. M.s, and has a good membership.

St. George's Lodge, No. 367, Toronto : This Lodge has one hundred and sixteen members on its register, and has an average attendance of thirty-five. The W. M. can exemplify fairly well the E. A. and F. C., but not the M. M. He opens and closes in all the degrees. His S. W.'s work is excellent ; his J. W.'s good, but not close ; his Deacons' weak ; his I. G.'s very good. The books of both Secretary and Treasurer are well kept, and the cash is paid over promptly to the Treasurer. The hall is leased ; is suitable, and is in good condition. The furniture is valued at \$600 ; is insured for \$500. An inventory is kept. Longest period any member in arrear is three years—total arrears at date of visit being \$160. Invested funds amount to \$350 ; assets, \$1,087 ; liabilities *nil*. The prospects of this Lodge are good. The W. M. and officers are all earnest craftsmen.

Orient Lodge, No. 339, Toronto : There are one hundred and twenty members on the register ; the average attendance is thirty-five. The W. M. has exemplified all the degrees, and is a good average worker, lacking only a little attention to detail. The Wardens' work is not accurate, but is better than average. I tested the W. M. in different sections of all the degrees, and was favorably disappointed. He has his heart in the work. The cash is promptly handed over to the Treasurer by the Secretary and deposited in a chartered bank. The books of both Secretary and Treasurer are business-like, and in good condition. The hall is leased ; is suitable, and in good condition, being a new building. The furniture is valued at \$1,400, and is insured for \$800. The longest period any member is in arrear is eighteen months. The Lodge has no invested funds. Its assets are \$1,400, and liabilities \$200. The future of the Lodge ought to be good. During the past six months it is alleged that outside matters have been dragged into Lodge business, and quite a number of candidates have been black-balled, but I have hopes that harmony has now been restored.

Alpha Lodge, No. 384, Parkdale : There are one hundred and seven members on the register ; average attendance is

thirty. The W. M. has worked the E. A. and a small portion of the F. C., but not the M. M. The F. C. and M. M. have during the year been exemplified by P. Ms. The W. M.'s work is only tolerable ; that of the Wardens is above the average. The Wardens are anxious to meet for rehearsal of work, but are not able to influence the W. M. in the same direction. The examination of candidates for advancement is very lax, for on the occasion of my third visit I found candidates for the F. C. not at all prepared, so that their progress for that evening was barred. If I had not been present they would have been put through irrespective of examination. I believe that the posting of candidates in this Lodge has been unsatisfactory in the past, and that the W. M.'s have not insisted rigidly enough on preparation before advancement. The Secretary's books are models for any Lodge in the jurisdiction, and are the best in the District. The cash is promptly handed over by the Secretary, and is deposited in a chartered bank by the Treasurer, whose books are well kept. The hall is leased, is suitable, in good condition ; it is one of the most commodious and best furnished in the jurisdiction ; complete in every respect. The hall is owned by a company, in which members of the Lodge are interested. It is worth \$12,250, and is insured for \$8,000. The furniture is worth \$1,400, and is insured for \$1,200. An inventory of the furniture is kept outside the Lodge room. The assets of the Lodge are \$1,800, the liabilities are \$1,039. As to the future prosperity of the Lodge the outlook is fair. I think the work could be vastly improved upon and the harmony of the Lodge promoted if the W. M. would meet with his officers and rehearse the exemplification.

Zeta Lodge, No. 410, Parkdale : This Lodge has thirty-nine members on its register ; average attendance twenty-one. The W. M. exemplifies the entire work, and he and his Wardens and Deacons, are indefatigable in their zeal. Their work is absolutely perfect in every particular and will stand the scrutiny of searching criticism. The books of both Secretary and Treasurer are kept in a business-like manner. The hall is leased, is commodious and well furnished. The furniture is worth \$800, and with the jewels is insured for \$1,000. An Inventory of the furniture is kept outside the Lodge building. The assets are \$1,200, liabilities *nil*. There are no members in arrear. The prospects of the Lodge are bright. A portion of the suit of rooms is occupied as a club, reading room and library, and every week in the winter months the officers meet and rehearse the work. The reading room is also open to the members. It is an excellent feature, and has gone a long way to cement the friendship of the brethren. This Lodge, taking

it in all the work, and its method of transacting business, is probably the best worked in the District.

Richmond Lodge, No. 23, Richmond Hill: There are thirty-three members on the register, and the average attendance is twelve. This is one of the oldest Lodges in Ontario. The W. M. is a passable worker, and can give the three degrees, but the work of the Wardens is below average, that of the Deacons poor. The Secretary's books are kept fairly well, but the formula in the model minutes is not followed. The hall is owned by the Lodge, is suitable, in good condition, and is valued at \$4,500; is insured for \$3,000 in the Western Insurance Company. The furniture is valued at \$250, and is insured for \$200. The longest period any member is in arrears is three years. The assets are \$4,750, the liabilities \$400. The W. M. claims that the future of the Lodge is hopeful. In the past it has suffered from various causes. Masonry flourished in this locality in the early years of this century, but the enthusiasm of youth seems to have departed. Some years ago perfect harmony did not exist between some of the members, and I fancy this feeling to a certain extent cooled the ardour of the membership. The W. M. with a little attention has not the slightest trouble with the work, and if the officers would meet with him occasionally, fair exemplification could be given. With Lodges, however, at Thornhill and Richmond Hill, I do not think that the progress in this locality will be marked.

Vaughan Lodge, No. 54, Maple: This Lodge has a membership of forty-four, with an average attendance of thirteen. The W. M. opens and closes in all the degrees with about average correctness. The W. M. was unable to give me the E. A. or F. C., but gave me a selected portion of the M. M., which was fair to middling. The Wardens' work was passable; that of the Deacons' weak. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are in good condition; the cash is paid over promptly and deposited in a P. O. Savings Bank. The hall is owned by the Lodge; is suitable, in good condition, and valued at \$1,800; insured for \$1,400. The furniture is valued at \$600, and insured for \$400. An inventory is kept outside the Lodge room. There was about \$75 on the books as arrears at date of visit. Ten members are in arrears over one year, eight over two, two over three, one over four, one over five, four over six. The assets are about \$2,500; liabilities *nil*. The work of the Lodge would be advanced if the W. M. devoted time to rehearsal with the officers. With a Lodge at Thornhill, nine miles distant, and at Richmond Hill, four miles distant, I do not see any great hope of rapid im-

provement. The W. M. explains that business prevents him taking an active part in Lodge work.

Markham Union Lodge, No. 87, Markham : There are seventeen members on the Register, and the average attendance is seven. The W. M. is a P. M., who through having his attention occupied in business is rather rusty, and without preparation could not exemplify the work. The opening and closing of the three degrees were very crude, could not have been more so. On the occasion of my last visit I had to wait, after making a special trip from Toronto, from eight till ten o'clock at night to get a perfect Lodge, and then I had to send into the highways and byways to seek for Craftsmen. The Lodge seems to have fallen to pieces in its work. There was no meeting in August, October, February, March, April, and were it not for visitors there were only three meetings in the year with enough members of the Lodge to open. The Secretary's books are in a lamentable state, badly kept, could not be worse—Craft records and official letters lying about the desk, and not in one single instance spread on the minutes, such as they are. I regret to write this, as I hold in high esteem both the W. M. and the Secretary, but it would be better if the charter were given back than that such a state of affairs should continue. The hall is owned by the Lodge, is valued at \$700, and insured for \$400. The furniture is worth \$150 and is uninsured. The assets are \$850 and liabilities \$300. I felt much disheartened with my visit. Personal difficulties have, I am afraid, crept into Lodge matters, and a strong and bitter feeling has existed amongst some of the brethren. There are only four or five of the brethren residing in the village. Others live in the country, and do not attend, and as a brother informs me hundreds of dollars of dues have been lost to the Lodge in years past for want of prompt collection. The Lodge wants new life. I had a general talk over matters with some of the old P. M.'s, and they promised that matters would improve, but I have very grave doubts. I held one of my Lodges of Instruction in this hall, but I am satisfied that it was time and money thrown away, seed sown on pure rock, with a gale of wind in the immediate vicinity.

Sharon Lodge, No. 97, Sharon : This Lodge has forty-four members, average attendance being fifteen. The W. M. is an excellent worker, accurate and uniform, gives the three degrees, and has exemplified all. The Wardens' work is weak, and that of the Deacons poor. The W. M. has been handicapped with officers who would not attend to their work, and all his efforts to bring them together for rehearsal have

proved unavailing. The Secretary's books are very well kept, and cash is promptly paid over and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is a poor one, but is at this writing being enlarged and made suitable. The furniture is valued at \$300; insured for \$200. The invested funds are \$162; the amount on books at date of my visit, \$189; the assets, about \$700; liabilities, none. Of those in arrears, there are three over two years, eight over three, five over four, four over five. The W. M. is one of the best in the District, has executive ability, and rules his Lodge well, but, except from the Secretary, cannot get co-operation on the part of his officers.

Tuscan Lodge, No. 99, Newmarket: This Lodge has forty-eight members; the average attendance is twelve. The W. M. can exemplify all the degrees, and is one of the best workers outside of Toronto. His Wardens' and Deacons' work is not as accurate nor as uniform as it should be, but he has a live membership, and is doing his part in the work of Masonry. Some of the members are largely in arrear of dues, eight over two years, four over four, and three over five, one being in arrear for eleven years. The assets are \$700, and the liabilities *nil*. The hall is leased, is suitable, in good condition, and the furniture is insured for \$400. The Secretary's and Treasurer's books are well kept. The prospects of the Lodge are bright.

Union Lodge, No. 118, Schomberg: This Lodge has twenty-nine members on its register; average attendance, eight. The W. M. can only work part of the E. A., and none of the F. C. or M. M.; in fact he has done no work whatever. The opening and closing in the three degrees is inaccurate, and the Wardens' work is weak. The Lodge did not meet in July, August, September, December, of 1886, or in January or March, 1887. The Secretary's and Treasurer's books are fairly kept, but the formula in the model minutes is not followed. The accounts are audited and the cash is deposited in a chartered bank. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer are held by one brother, although so doing is not in conformity with Sec. 1 of Con. relating to private Lodges. The hall is owned by the Lodge, is worth \$500, is insured for \$300, is suitable, in good condition, with furniture and jewels worth \$250, uninsured, and no inventory kept. The assets amount to \$835; liabilities *nil*. Dues are promptly collected; arrears about \$20. Three years ago the Lodge was prosperous, but in 1885 there was only one initiation, and none in 1886 or 1887. Returns were not made last December to Grand Secretary. The Lodge Secretary claims the blanks were not

sent by Grand Secretary, but I am satisfied the latter mailed them, and that they shared the fate of two official letters of my own, and were mislaid. My third letter, a registered one, finally brought an answer. The outlook is not bright. The W. M. and Secretary are overwhelmed with private business—the former has a shop, school and farm to attend to, and the Secretary has a very extensive medical practice—and consequently Craft matters suffer. Circulars for meetings are not issued regularly, although this, however, is hardly an excuse for members not attending Lodge. The W. M. promises better things, but I am afraid his enthusiasm will not hold out. Strong personal magnetism is the only thing that can keep this Lodge together.

Rising Sun Lodge, No. 129, Aurora: This Lodge has forty-seven members on its register; its average attendance is sixteen. The W. M. and officers, elected June, 1886, are unable to exemplify any portion of the work. The degrees have been worked by P. Ms. The W. M., elected June, 1887, opens and closes his Lodge in the three degrees, and works the E. A., and will, without doubt, in a few weeks be able to give the entire work. The Wardens' work is very good, indeed. The Secretary's books are well kept and in good condition; the cash is promptly handed over by the Secretary to the Treasurer and the funds deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is owned by the Lodge, is suitable, and in good condition. It is worth \$3,000, and is insured for \$1,500. The furniture is valued at \$200, on which there is no insurance, and no inventory is kept. The number of members in arrear of dues over one year is five, and over two years, three; the total arrears at time of visit were about \$25. The assets of the Lodge are \$3,200, and liabilities \$1,200. The Lodge was represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. My impression is that this Lodge will make material improvement during the coming year. The W. M. and Wardens, although only elected a few weeks ago, are going to work in a most energetic manner, so that within a very few months the Lodge will be well worked, and a credit to the Craft.

Richardson Lodge No. 136, Stouffville: The Lodge has thirty members on its Register. The average attendance is seven. The W. M. opens and closes in the E. A., but does not in the F. C. or M. M., and cannot exemplify any of the degrees. He follows the example of his predecessor, who could not give even the opening and closing. In fact the work has not been given by the W. M. in this Lodge for years. The W. M. who preceded the I. P. M. only occupied

the chair on the night of installation, and could not utter one line of the work. All these W. brethren were duly vouched for when presented for installation, although it was known that they were absolutely uninstructed even in the smallest details. The Lodge was not represented at last Grand Lodge, and the returns to the Grand Secretary have not been made with anything like regularity. The Grand Lodge dues were in the pocket of a former Secretary for over a year. The outlook for the Lodge is very poor. The W. M. elect is a P. M., but not an accurate worker; in fact he does not pretend to give correct work. The officers for 1886-7 have never exemplified any part of the work, and except the late Secretary, now J. W. elect, I do not think any more attention will be paid in the future than in the past. My impression is that the Lodge, as conducted for years, has been an injury to the Craft, and any usefulness it may have had is gone forever. This unfavourable impression has existed not only amongst members of the Craft in the vicinity, but with the general public. The Secretary's minute book is fairly well kept for the past few months. The financial accounts are in a very unsatisfactory state, not caused, however, by the present Treasurer, but by former Secretaries, who have retained the funds of the Lodge and given no account of their disposal to the Treasurer or the Lodge. The cash has not for ten years been handed over with promptitude to the Treasurer. In some instances it had never reached that officer. This year there has been no work, consequently there has been but little cash to hand over. Every Secretary for years has retained the funds, or has not given an account of his stewardship. The books have not been audited for some years, and the audits given in the past are totally unreliable. The W. M. and officers inform me that the funds of the Lodge have been appropriated by former Secretaries, and that every effort to trace the matter up and have the money refunded has proved unavailing. I have paid two official visits to the Lodge, and have used every exertion to cement matters; but things were even in a worse condition on the occasion of the second visit than at the first. The Treasurer's books could not be found. They were handed over to an audit committee, and that was the last seen of them. The old cash books have also disappeared, and I am informed by the W. M. and officers that it is not likely they will ever turn up. The fact is, that the Lodge has been pillaged for years, and an accurate and reliable audit would reveal a state of affairs that the old officers, and some of the new ones, dare not face. The books of fifteen years ago show a record of Secretaries getting into business troubles

with Lodge monies in their possession. These funds were kept with the general cash of the brethren, and not separate from the business account, hence heavy loss was entailed on the Lodge. The members heretofore have been afraid to pay in their dues, as it was known that the cash paid in would never reach the Treasurer. Members who did attend would not receive petitions from those desirous of membership, as there was considerable doubt as to whether the fees would go into the Lodge cash-box, or be retained by the Secretaries, and still greater doubt as to whether the W. M. or any of the officers could give the smallest portion of the work. In fact this condition of matters was so well known outside of the Lodge that good material would not come up. The hall is leased, is suitable, in good condition ; the furniture is valued at \$150 ; is insured, but no inventory kept. Without visitors, on many occasions, the Lodge could not be opened. There have been only six meetings in the year. There was no quorum in July, August, September and December, of '86, or February or April of '87. Even on election night the attendance was only seven. There are no brethren in arrears over one year, as all who were have been suspended. The arrears, at time of visit, were \$90, the assets \$250, liabilities *nil*. There is no Lodge on the roll of any District in a worse condition than this one. It would be a great blessing if the warrant could possibly be withdrawn. Its retention is doing positive harm to the Craft. The Secretary stated, and I agreed with him, that to take fees from candidates, and give them the initiation ceremonial, such as they could get in this Lodge, is practically obtaining money under false pretences. At a Masonic funeral service, held a few weeks ago, the impressive ritual for the dead was given in such a manner that turned the ceremony into a burlesque, and brought a blush to the cheeks of the members of the Craft. A ten-year old school boy could have given it with better effect. Its rendition drew forth a cyclone of criticism from not only the Craft, but from a large and respectable concourse of inhabitants who were present. The installation of W. M. and officers did not take place in June, an appeal against the election being now before Grand Lodge.

Patterson Lodge, No. 265, Thornhill: This Lodge has forty members on its register ; attendance averages ten. The W. M. is unable to work any of the degrees, and cannot open or close in the F. C. or M. M., in fact he knows nothing whatever of the work, and was conveniently absent on the occasion of my visit. The degrees have been worked by P.M.'s whose powers of memorization do not keep pace with their

zeal, consequently the work is disjointed and indifferent, remarkable for its inaccuracy. The Wardens' work is very poor, the Deacons' still worse. The Secretary, a P. M., keeps the books just reasonably well, failing to enter the names of officers, members or visitors in the minute book, relying on the register book for records. The formula in the model minutes is not followed. The hall is leased, is suitable, in good condition, with poor entrance. The furniture is valued at \$300, is insured for \$200, and no inventory is kept. The longest period any member is in arrears is eighteen months. Dues in arrear at time of visit \$35. The fact is, dues have been allowed to accumulate, and many dollars have been lost to the Lodge from want of prompt collection. Members will not attend. The assets are \$500, the liabilities *nil*. It is difficult to form an opinion as to the future of this Lodge. The work is so poor that those who do exemplify, so emasculate it of all its beauty, the language falls like "a dull thud" on the ear of the listener, and relief to the nerves only comes when silence or some other order of business follows. The Lodge is at a stand-still, and unless new life is instilled into it, there can be little hope of recovery.

Robertson Lodge, No. 292, Nobleton: This Lodge has thirty members on its register; the average attendance is fourteen. The W. M. opens and closes and exemplifies all. He gave me the E. A. and F. C. and selected portions of the M. M. It was very creditable work. The Secretary's and Treasurer's books are in good condition, cash is promptly handed over, but is not deposited in a bank or P. O. savings bank. The hall is leased, is very unsuitable. The Lodge has resolved to build a new hall, ground has been bought, and tenders let for same. It will be ready for occupation in November. The furniture owned by the Lodge is worth \$75; uninsured. Of those in arrear there are seven over one year, three over two and one over three. The invested funds are \$256, and the amount on the books at date of visit \$72. The assets are \$328, the liabilities *nil*. The Lodge was not represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. The W. M. is active and energetic, with his heart thoroughly in the work. The prospects for the Lodge are fair.

Humber Lodge, No. 305, Weston: This Lodge has thirty-six members on its register; the average attendance is nine. The W. M. opens and closes in all the degrees, and exemplifies the E. A. and F. C. fairly. His S. W. and Deacons were conveniently absent on the occasion of my second visit. His J. W. is only an average worker; none of the others can do

the work. The Secretary's books would be all right if the formula was followed. The Treasurer's books are only passable. The cash is promptly paid over. The hall is a leased one, suitable, in excellent condition, comfortably furnished, and is used by an Oddfellows' Lodge, who are owners of the hall. The furniture of the Lodge is valued at \$100; is uninsured. The total arrears of dues at date of visit were \$75, one member being in arrear for over four and two over two years. The assets are \$250; liabilities *nil*. The outlook for this Lodge is poor. It seems to have outlived its usefulness. The W. M. is anxious and willing, but nearly all the officers are careless. The attendance is poor, and I do not think it will improve. As the suburban villages and towns become more populous, the interest may revive, but it will be in the distant future.

Blackwood Lodge, No. 311, Woodbridge: There are forty members on the register; the average attendance, eight. The W. M. opens and closes in the three degrees, and works E. A. fairly well, and the F. C. passably. He does not work the M. M. The Wardens' work is under the average. The Secretary does not follow the formula, and the entries are irregular; still, the books are fairly kept, and the Secretary promises to make the necessary improvements. The hall is leased, is not suitable, and in poor condition. The furniture is worth \$150, is insured for \$100, but no inventory is kept. At my first visit in May there were six brethren in arrear of dues, one over three years, and two over four. The assets are \$200, the liabilities *nil*. The prospects of the Lodge are brightening. By the removal of a manufacturing concern from Woodbridge to Toronto, four years ago, the attendance fell off very considerably, and for a time all efforts to revive the interest in the Craft seemed futile, but of late the W. M. has striven to create new life, and negotiations are in progress for the purchase of a new hall, a building that cost \$2,000 having been offered to the Lodge for \$800, and it is to be hoped that headway will be made this coming year.

Georgina Lodge, No. 343, Sutton: This Lodge has forty-nine members on its register, with an average attendance of thirteen. The W. M. has not exemplified any of the work, and his opening and closing of the degrees was away under the average. He gave for me a selected portion of the E. A. indifferently. The Wardens' work is below the average, that of the Deacons very poor. The books of both the Secretary and Treasurer are thoroughly well kept, cash is promptly paid over, but not deposited in a bank. The hall is leased, is

small, but suitable. The furniture is valued at \$400, and is insured for \$200, and an inventory is kept outside of the Lodge room. The amount on the books at date of visit was \$100. There is one member in arrear over one year, and seven over four. The assets are \$400, liabilities *nil*. The newly-elected W. M. is a P. M., and the prospects of the Lodge are fair.

Mimico Lodge, No. 369, Lambton Mills: This Lodge has fifty-eight members on its register; the average attendance, fifteen. The W. M. does his work in a highly creditable manner. He can exemplify the entire work, and gave for me selected portions of all the degrees. His Wardens' and Deacons' work is the best outside of the city Lodges. Indeed, I was agreeably surprised, and felt that the Lodge of Instruction held in Lambton had borne good fruit. The Secretary's books are in excellent condition; the Treasurer's fair. The cash is promptly paid over and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is a new one, well appointed, convenient and suitable; is worth \$1,600, and insured for \$1,000; the furniture is worth \$400, and is insured. The longest period any member is in arrears is two years and a-half; the total arrears at date of last visitation were \$108. The assets are \$2,108; liabilities *nil*. This Lodge is making steady progress, although the attendance might be better. The W. M. is a zealous Mason, with a determined purpose to bring his Lodge to the front rank. This Lodge is one of the best outside the city of Toronto.

Ionic Lodge, No. 229, Brampton: This Lodge has eighty-one members on its register; the average attendance is seventeen. The work of the W. M. is not even ordinary average. He can exemplify the E. A. but very indifferently, and does not attempt the F. C. or M. M. The work of the Lodge is not at all close work. The S. W. is an excellent officer. I was very much disappointed on the occasion of my second visit. The close examination of candidates for advancement is a redeeming feature in this Lodge. Some of the P. Ms. are excellent workers. The Secretary's and Treasurer's books are in good condition, exceedingly well kept; the cash is paid over promptly and deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased, is suitable, in first-class order, and the furniture, which is handsome, is worth \$700, and insured for \$400. No inventory of it, however, is kept. The total arrears of dues at time of visit were \$205; one brother is behind eight years, owing \$32; five over three years, three over four years, and two over two years. I have pointed out repeatedly to the Lodge the necessity of either collecting the dues or suspending such brethren, but the Lodge evidently has a reluctance

to such action. The assets are about \$1,000; liabilities, nominal. The outlook, however, for the Lodge ought to be good, but success is impeded when the W. M. has not enough interest in his Lodge to get up the work. To be successful those who are advanced should be skilled. The officers do not rehearse the work, and therefore, although every facility and appointment are perfect in the Lodge room, still the interest and impressiveness are lost when crudeness, inaccuracy and looseness are the distinguishing characteristics. P. Ms. whom I know to be excellent ritualists, tell me that Ionic has been one of the best Lodges in the District, and I myself have seen very fair work by a P. M., but the record has been broken, and the Lodge has evidently slipped so far back that it will require considerable exertion to put it into shape again as a model Lodge for exemplification.

River Park Lodge, No. 356, Streetsville: This Lodge has sixty-three members, with an average attendance of only nine. The W. M. exemplifies the E. A., but it is not average work; he does not give the F. C. or M. M. The Wardens' and Deacons' work is poor. The opening and closing in the degrees was very weak. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are in good condition; funds are handed over promptly and deposited in a bank. The hall is leased from the Oddfellows, and is suitable. The Masonic furniture is worth \$200, but is not insured. An inventory is kept. The amount on books at date of visit was \$60. There are six in arrear over two years, one over four. The assets are about \$300, liabilities *nil*. This Lodge has not made any progress for a long time, and the outlook does not seem to me to be bright. Any work that has offered for years has been done by the P. Ms., especially by one from the Tenth District. The W. M. and officers never meet for rehearsal, the regular meetings are poorly attended, and the interest in craft matters seems to be at a standstill. I do not see much chance for revival, unless the officers take the time and trouble to get up the work.

Zeredatha Lodge, No. 220, Uxbridge: This Lodge has a membership of sixty, with an average attendance of sixteen. The W. M. opens and closes fairly well, and gives the E. A. and F. C. with over average correctness, but does not undertake the M. M., which has been given by the P. Ms. The Wardens' work is average, that of the Deacons poor. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are in good condition, the cash promptly paid over, but not deposited in any bank. The hall is leased and not suitable. The Lodge has leased rooms in a new building, which cannot be considered com-

fortable. The furniture is valued at \$800; insured for \$500, and an inventory is kept. There are no members in arrear over one year. The amount on the books at date of visit was \$39.50. The assets about \$800, liabilities *nil*. The prospects of the Lodge are favorable.

York Lodge, No. 156, Eglinton: There are eighty-three members on the Register; the average attendance is fifteen. The W. M. works the E. A. fairly well, and initiated one candidate at my second visit, and as there was no candidate for advancement he exemplified selected portions of the F. C. and M. M. The work was above the average. The W. M. and Wardens evince a strong interest in the work; that of the Wardens was average work. The Secretary's books are all exceedingly well kept. The Treasurer's books are all in good condition. The funds are deposited in a chartered bank. The hall is leased, is suitable, in first-rate condition; the furniture is valued at \$750 and is insured for \$500 in the Western Insurance Company. The longest period any brother is in arrears is five years. The assets are \$883, and the liabilities are \$190. As to the future of the Lodge, it should be stated that the Lodge has overcome almost insurmountable difficulties, caused by a total loss by fire, and by many of the old members leaving for other parts of the country. Care and economy have been exercised, and the Lodge expenses have been reduced to a minimum. This Lodge is situated two and a-half miles from Toronto. I have had to call the attention of the W. M. to the fact that his jurisdiction on the south and west extended only half way to the nearest lodge room, viz.: Ashlar and Occident. My attention had been called to the fact that candidates were being ballotted for in York who reside within the jurisdiction of Occident and Ashlar; hence my action.

Brougham Union Lodge, No. 269, Brougham: This Lodge cannot be called a progressive one. There are forty-one members on its register, and the average attendance is only ten. The W. M. can only exemplify the E. A., and the opening and closing in the degrees by himself and Wardens was far from passable work. His Deacons know nothing of their work. The Secretary's books are in excellent condition, well kept and a credit to the Lodge. The Treasurer's book consisted of a small pass book with entries of cash for Secretary. The hall is leased, is suitable, and in good condition. The furniture is valued at \$250, and is insured in the City of London Company for \$200. The longest period any brother is in arrear is two years. The assets are \$400, including \$100 in cash, which I was surprised to hear was invested in a promissory note,

endorsed by the Treasurer. I have doubts as to the future of this Lodge. The brethren live at long distances from Brougham, and many seem desirous of moving the Lodge to Claremont, on the C. P. R. A number of brethren live at Pickering, six miles south of Brougham Lodge; located as it is, I could not see my way clear to recommend a dispensation for a new Lodge at Pickering. The W. M. of Brougham is a willing craftsman, but has no encouragement in his work. New energy will have to be created by the officers or some change made in order to revive the interest in the Lodge. Under the present circumstances the prospects of improvement are dim.

Brock Lodge, No. 354, Cannington: This Lodge has thirty-six members on its register, the average attendance is fifteen. The W. M., a P. M., is an average worker, opens and closes with tolerable correctness in the three degrees, and exemplified for me selected portions of all. He has given all the work. The Wardens are not accurate, and the Deacons not posted. The Secretary's and Treasurer's books are in good order; the former does not follow the formula. The hall is leased, is a new one, very conveniently and comfortably furnished. The furniture is worth \$300, and is insured for \$200, but no inventory is kept. The funds are deposited in a chartered bank. The arrears at date of last visit, in May, were \$119. Many brethren in arrear four or five years were read out, and suspended in June. The assets are \$450, liabilities *nil*. The outlook is fair. The W. M. is a busy man, with lots of energy, and possesses all the qualifications, and with the I. P. M. takes an interest in Craft work. This Lodge has suffered like others from a former Secretary handling Lodge funds for private business, collecting dues and forgetting to pay them over to the Treasurer. It is decidedly inconvenient for a Lodge to have a Secretary with a short memory.

SUGGESTIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFICERS.

The statements given in this report indicate the work done in the Lodges, its quality with the condition of Lodge records. In every Lodge at my request the W. M. and officers opened and closed in the three degrees. If they had candidates they exemplified the work; if they had not they exemplified selected portions. Where the W. M. stated that he was unable to open and close his Lodge in the three degrees, or exemplify any, I have not asked the work to be done, but have given the necessary instructions and exemplification. As the suggestions made to the Lodges at my visits were in many cases of a similar character, to avoid repetition I have not appended

them to the individual Lodge reports. These suggestions were as follows: To the W. M.'s I showed that without frequent rehearsal with the officers it is impossible to exemplify the work in a satisfactory manner; that an hour a week spent together in the Lodge room would in a few months give a smoothness, uniformity and correctness to the work that would not only be creditable to the Lodge, but would interest the members, and create an impressiveness amongst the initiates that would harmonize with the solemn character of the ceremonial. To Wardens and Deacons I impressed that regular attendance was indispensable, that it was unfair to W. Ms. to handicap them by absence, for without the co-operation of both Wardens and Deacons the entire intellectual machinery of the Lodge was thrown out of gear, the work impeded, and perfect exemplification was impossible. In Lodges outside of Toronto I found the attendance of Wardens and Deacons very poor indeed. To the Secretaries I recommended that the formula of the Model minutes should be followed, so that the monthly records of the Craft might be accurate and uniform; that the list of officers, members and visitors should be given in the minutes, so that the register book may not be the only book recording these particulars; that the list of officers in each degree exemplified should be entered, and that in all the degrees the names of the W. Ms. or P. Ms. who exemplify, should be given; that the minutes be written in ink and not in pencil; that a rough or draft minute book should be kept so that the regular minute book may be a sample of decent penmanship; and further, that all cash paid into the Secretary must be promptly paid over to the Treasurer, and not kept for months in the hands of the Secretary, as in the case of Stevenson Lodge, and that of Brock Lodge, and also one or two other cases. Where I found that promptness was not a distinguishing characteristic, I personally instructed the Secretaries that any failure in the future to pay over funds would compel the W. Ms. to take prompt means in dealing with those who so far forgot to discharge the duties of their offices with fidelity. I called attention to the fact that a large amount of dues was lost from want of prompt collection, and that before the close of every year brethren should be notified of the amount due the Lodge, and that in the month of November in each year a correct list of all brethren in arrear should be handed to the W. M. to be dealt with as required by the constitution. The Treasurers I called attention to the necessity of keeping accounts in a business-like manner, balancing books punctually at the proper time for audit, and where convenient depositing funds to the credit of the W. M. and

Treasurer in a chartered bank, or a P. O. savings bank, and not as I found in the case of Brougham lending the Lodge money out on a promissory note, which however safe, was a most irregular and inadvisable way of holding Lodge funds.

DEATHS.

I have to record with regret the death of R. W. Bro. Joshua G. Burns, P. D. D. G. M. of this District, and a member of the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge. He died after a brief illness on the 28th May, 1887. The R. W. Bro. was a Craftsman of many years standing, a P. M. of Stevenson, Zetland, Orient and Mimico Lodges, a brother whose soul was in the work, and whose untiring zeal contributed much to the success of Masonry in Canada. He will be sadly missed from our Lodge gatherings, for no Craftsman who has passed away for years, ever did the same amount of work, not only in his own Lodges, but in all the principal Lodges in this District. I have also to record the death of W. Bro. Milner, of Ionic Lodge, No. 229, Brampton; W. Bro. Wm. Norris, of York Lodge, No. 156, Eglinton, both zealous Masons, who contributed much to the prosperity of the Craft in their respective localities.

INFRINGEMENT OF JURISDICTION.

On October 18th, 1886, I reported to the M. W. the Grand Master that a Mr. William Barrett, a resident of Toronto, had been initiated in St. Charles Lodge, No. 44, Montreal, Grand Registry of Quebec, such action being an infringement of jurisdiction. The matter having been adjusted to the satisfaction of the G. M. of this Grand Lodge, I was directed to accept Mr. W. Barrett as an E. A. and give him the F. C. and M. M. if he could obtain admission to one of our Lodges. Mr. Barrett, being a worthy man, who had acted under a misapprehension, was balloted for and accepted in Mimico Lodge, No. 369, and in due course received his degrees.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

I have granted the following Lodges dispensations to wear Masonic clothing at conversaciones:—Zetland, No. 326, 7th January, 1887; St. John's, No. 75, 28th January, 1887; York, No. 156, 1st February, 1887; St. George's, No. 367, 7th February, 1887; Alpha, No. 384, 10th February, 1887; Orient, No. 329, 23rd February, 1887; Stevenson, No. 218, 25th March, 1887; Doric, No. 316, 21st April, 1887; King Solomon, No. 22, 6th May, 1887.

STATISTICAL RETURNS.

In this District there are sixteen W. Ms. who exemplify all

the work, six who give the E. A. and F. C., nine who give only the E. A. and four who do not exemplify any part of the work. There are twenty-one Lodge rooms leased at rentals varying from \$50 a year to \$200, and six Lodge rooms owned by the Craft, the latter valued at about \$13,000, and insured for about \$8,000. The value of the furniture in all the Lodge rooms is about \$19,000; insured for about \$11,000. The assets of all the Lodges are about \$50,000, and the liabilities about \$4,000, and the arrears of dues over one year about \$2,000. The arrears over one year, prior to December last, would be about \$4,000, so that my efforts to reduce the amount during the year have been partially successful. I also urged the necessity of seeing that the Lodge buildings, if owned, and the furniture should be insured and an inventory of the furniture kept outside the Lodge room.

THE WORK OF RELIEF.

Although the work of the General Boards of Relief in this District does not come directly under the supervision of the D. D. G. M., I have great pleasure in testifying to the excellent work done by the Toronto Board, and the studied care and economy used in the disposal of the funds subscribed by the Lodges in Toronto and granted by Grand Lodge. The work of relief has been materially aided by the affiliation of the Toronto Board with the General Board of Relief of the United States and Canada, for by adopting the rules and the rigid means of examination laid down by the General Association, assisted by the warning circulars issued monthly from the head office at Baltimore, containing accurate descriptions of Masonic tramps and others unworthy of assistance, hundreds of dollars have been saved to the Craft in this District. Experience has shown that in Toronto eight out of every ten applying for assistance are unworthy. In every case where assistance has been solicited the wires have been used all over the continent, and with good effect, the rule being wire first, where possible, if not, give limited assistance and use the post. Cases have been cited where a wire has saved an expenditure in relief of many dollars. The cost of affiliation to the General Association is trifling, being one cent *per capita*, so that if Grand Lodge affiliated at a cost of \$191, every Lodge in the jurisdiction would receive a warning circular. Toronto Board and the General Association have requested me to suggest the affiliation of Grand Lodge to the General Association. In the United States the results for good have been marvellous, over two hundred frauds having been detected last year.

IN CONCLUSION.

It is gratifying for me to state that my visits to the Lodges seem to have given general satisfaction. This is the first year, with one exception, for twelve years that all the Lodges have been visited by a D. D. G. M., and the first occasion since Grand Lodge was founded that all the Lodges have been visited twice. Although in many cases I had to express my opinions on the work and conduct of lodges sharply and freely, my views were accepted in a kindly and fraternal spirit, the W. M.'s feeling that the admonition was necessary, that they had justly deserved the criticism given, and promising that in the future like faithful Craftsmen they would endeavour to profit by the advice, and co-operate with one another in their respective lodges in rendering the duties of their offices in a manner that would not only be a credit to the district, but to the Craft in this jurisdiction. I trust that my efforts may commend themselves to you, M. W. Sir, the officers and members of Grand Lodge.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

J. ROSS ROBERTSON,

D. D. G. M., Toronto District No. 11.

Toronto, 1st July, 1887.

ONTARIO DISTRICT NO. 12.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada.

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—I have the pleasure to report that the condition of Masonry in the Twelfth Masonic District is in most respects all that can be expected in a district of such a rival character as is this district.

That my first act upon entering upon the discharge of the duties and responsibilities of D. D. G. M., was to appoint W. Bro. A. L. Rundle, of Cedar Lodge, Oshawa, District Secretary. His appointment to that important office has given general satisfaction to the Craft, and to his valuable assistance rendered to me in the discharge of the duties of my office, I am indebted.

That I have not been called upon during my term of office to give any decisions in any matters of dispute either among members or between any Lodge and its members; this evincing, if from no other cause, the harmonies and fraternal workings and feelings of the Craft throughout the district.

That I regret my inability to visit every Lodge in the

district, but I must say that the Lodges I visited are working with a great deal of uniformity, (much more so than I expected), all owing no doubt to the energy and skill of my predecessors in this onerous office. Any Lodge that I found was not strictly conforming to the ritual and constitution, I instructed them to the best of my skill and ability and I am pleased to state that the brethren expressed themselves anxious to do correctly which certainly made it pleasant to impart instruction.

That I have issued during the year two dispensations for the brethren to appear in public clothed as Masons, to attend Divine Service on the Festival of St. John the Evangelist ; one to Spry Lodge, Fenelon Falls ; and the other to Peterboro' Lodge, Peterboro'.

That the brethren throughout the District are desirous that St. John's Lodge, Cobourg, should again be placed in this District, and from representations made to me by the brethren of St. John's Lodge, Cobourg, but of which I could not take official cognizance, I am led to believe they are equally desirous of being placed in this District, and I deem it my duty in making my report to you to recommend that St. John's Lodge, of Cobourg, be again placed in this District.

That I received from brethren in and around Pickering Village, a petition for a dispensation from the M. W. Grand Master for them to meet as a Regular Lodge, but for some reason the dispensation has not been granted to them. At the time I recommended the petition I considered the matter and concluded in the interest of Masonry, a Lodge in Pickering Village would be beneficial and useful, and I say I have not had any reason for changing my former conclusion, and would now recommend that a dispensation be issued to them.

That I recommend to the brethren in this District, through this report, the advisability and desirability, in the interest of the Craft, that my successors should be elected from alternate parts of the District, and thus making sure that none of the Lodges will be more than two years without having been visited by the D. D. G. M.

That from reports on the condition of Masonry in each Lodge, which have been at my request sent to me from most of the Lodges in the District—although I regret that some of the Lodges did not send any report—I can safely say that Masonry in this District is in a flourishing condition and making steady progress. The Lodges are mostly presided over by competent and courteous W. Masters.

That I was pleased to confirm the establishment of a Board of Relief for the jurisdiction of the Lodges in Oshawa, and

that the By-laws of the same now await the approval of the M. W. Grand Master.

In conclusion I wish to thank the brethren for the kindness and courtesy shown to me by them, and as I am not a candidate for the D. D. G. Mastership, I bespeak for my successor the same kindness always extended to me.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

ROBERT MCCAW,

D. D. G. M. Ontario District, No. 12.

Oshawa, July 7th, 1887.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13.

To the M. W. the Grand Master and Members of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—In accordance with established custom, I have the honor to submit the following as a report of the condition of Masonry in this district :

In consequence of impaired health I was prevented from visiting, as I much desired, each Lodge in my District; however, I succeeded in visiting such as heretofore had been unvisited by the majority of my predecessors, and it affords me pleasure to state that, generally speaking, the Brethren are most zealous and the Lodges prosperous. Those unvisited by me I have learned from reliable sources, are also maintaining their usual good standing.

On 18th January, I had the honor to assist Right Wor. D. G. M. Richard T. Walkem, Q. C., in consecrating and dedicating Craig Lodge No. 401, Deseronto. Brothers Dr. G. W. Faulkner, W. M., Sterling Lodge No. 69; Dr. J. S. Sprague, Treasurer, No. 69; Albert Chard P. M. and Conley, of No. 69, together with Bro. Capt. Watters and two other representatives from the several Belleville Lodges accompanied me. In consequence of severe storms and the consequent delay of trains our party was subjected to much exposure and disappointment at Deseronto Junction, where hotel accommodation was wanting. We were compelled to seek shelter in the station and on hard seats from mid-night until morning we took our fitful slumbers. From such exposure and unusual irregularities in rest at a time when I was much indisposed I date the unfavorable condition of my health.

December 27th, I assisted Dr. Loomis, (P.D.D.G.M., Pr. Ed. District,) in installing officers of Madoc Lodge No. 48.

I might here state this Lodge has been unusually prosperous during the past six months.

On 4th July, I installed the officers of Consecon Lodge No. 50; a large number of prominent Masons from Frankford and Trenton accompanied me, a special train having been secured by Wor. Bros. Dench and Weddell. Our Consecon Brethren entertained us most magnificently and after our labors we sat down to an oyster supper, a fine spread, and hereafter I will accord praise to our co-workers in their entertainments.

Lake Lodge of Ameliasburg, has announced a demonstration on 24th June, at Rednersville, proceeds to aid in the building of a Masonic Hall at Ameliasburgh.

The following deaths have been reported to me, viz.: Bros. Jos. Caverley (not buried with Masonic honors), Madoc Lodge; Matthew German Vandervoort and — Hines, of Stirling Lodge, No. 69; G. W. Frederick, of Moira Lodge, Belleville, No. 11; W. Jeffs, Trenton Lodge; and Edward Atchkinson, Campbellford Lodge, No. 126.

During the year I granted five dispensations for the following purposes: Quinte Lodge—to hold a Masonic dinner; Colborne Lodge—to install officers on other day than 27th Dec., 1886; Consecon Lodge, No. 50—to install officers on 4th Feb., 1887; Lake Lodge—to hold a demonstration at Rednersville, June 24th, 1887, and at the same to appear in public clothed as Masons; Madoc Lodge—to appear in public clothed as Masons for the purpose of attending Divine Service.

My esteemed and worthy predecessor, R. W. Bro. Longmore, gave such a detailed description of our District and its many and widely separated Lodges, that I would but repeat his statements were I to describe our Lodges and their work.

To the District Secretary, Brother Sprague, Stirling, I am much indebted for many favors, who most materially assisted me in very extensive correspondence. From the Masters, in every instance, I have received the most courteous receptions and treatment. The brethren have given me a grand welcome and rendered me valuable assistance in the discharge of my duties.

In conclusion, I thank the fraternity of the District for their kindness, and I shall always remember the many friendly greetings I have received from them, and the kindness shown me by Grand Lodge.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

JAMES TULLOCH,

D. D. G. M. Prince Edward District, No. 13.
Stirling, Ont., June 20th, 1887.

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada.

M. W. SIR AND BRETHREN,—I have the honor to submit the following report on the condition of Masonry in the Fourteenth District during the first year of its existence :

This District was formed by taking ten lodges from the western limit of the old St. Lawrence District and grouping them with eight lodges taken from the eastern boundary of the old Prince Edward District.

As it comprises only eighteen Lodges it may be said to be small, yet it is large as regards territory, covering an area of nearly 3,000 square miles. I have visited with ease all the Lodges in my District once, except two which are dormant. Several of them I have visited twice. My experience justifies me in saying that there is no reason why every Lodge in this District should not receive at least one visit from the D. D. G. M. in the year. In my judgment, the committee to whom was entrusted the important duty of redistributing the Districts, performed their allotted task in a perfectly satisfactory manner as far as this District is concerned. The longer its limits remain as now laid down, the more apparent will this become, and the greater will be the advantage to the Lodges. I therefore trust that the Grand Lodge, as far as is consistent with the welfare of Masonry throughout her jurisdiction, may be pleased to allow our present boundaries to remain.

On account of this being a new District, and in compliance with suggestions given in the "Report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry," last year, as to what information the annual writings of the D. D. G. Ms. should comprise, I am led to give a separate report for each Lodge. The Worshipful Master and Secretary respectively mentioned were those in office at the time of my visit.

All my official visits, with one exception, have been made at regular meetings. Between two and three weeks before visiting any Lodge I wrote to the W. Master, advising him that I intended to pay his Lodge an official visit on the evening of the next regular communication. In every instance, I am glad to say, the W. Master had timely notice of my visit given to the members of his Lodge. Wherever the attendance appears small on the occasion of my visit, it is in no wise due to the want of sufficient and timely notice thereof.

Lorne Lodge, No. 404 : Meets at Tamworth on the third

Tuesday of every month. James M. Smith, W. M., Tamworth ; James Aylsworth, Secretary, Tamworth. The weather was fair when I visited this Lodge on the 19th October, 1886. On the register were one honorary and thirty-six ordinary members ; total, thirty-seven. Members present, twenty ; visitors present, four. The first degree was conferred by the W. M. in a very creditable manner. The S. W., Bro. G. W. Richardson, is exceptionally well skilled. With few exceptions the work of the subordinate officers was well done. This is the only Lodge in the District in which I could not be vouched for. I was therefore subjected to an examination before a Board of Trial. The Board's examination was thorough and searching. During the year the W. M. has conferred the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. The hall is leased by the Lodge ; in good condition and suitable. The furniture is owned by the Lodge ; valued at \$250, and insured for \$150. Inventory of furniture is kept. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886—twelve regular and one emergent ; meetings held since July 15th, 1886—eleven regular and one emergent ; average attendance, fifteen. I have regularly received a copy of the summonses. Dues per year, \$2.50. Members in arrear over three years, two ; longest period any member is in arrear, four years ; total arrears, June 11th, 1887, \$36.30. Assets, \$307.48 ; liabilities, \$45.40. Lodge was represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge by proxy. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of Lodge : "Every appearance and prospect of grand future as a country Lodge." This is the youngest Lodge in this District. The officers are bright and zealous Masons, and manifest a warm interest in their own Lodge, as well as in the welfare of the District at large.

Albion Lodge, No. 109 : Meets at Harrowsmith on Friday on or before each full moon. Bert. P. Day, W. M., Harrowsmith ; James Cooke, Secretary, Harrowsmith. The weather was fair when I visited this Lodge, on 5th November, 1886. On the register were one honorary and fifty-one ordinary members ; total, fifty-two ; members present, twenty-six, two of these being P. Ms. ; visitors present, three. The first degree was correctly and ably conferred by the W. M. The work of the subordinate officers was fairly well done. The W. M. has conferred four E. A., seven F. C. and six M. M. degrees in year. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. A suitable hall, valued at \$800, is owned by the Lodge. Furniture, valued at \$200, is owned by the Lodge. No inventory of furniture is kept. Both hall and furniture are uninsured. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886, twelve

regular ; meetings held, eleven ; average attendance, twenty. I received copy of summonses regularly. Dues per year, \$2. Members in arrear over one year, three ; over two, four ; over three, three ; over four, four—which is the longest period any member is in arrears ; total arrears, 4th June, 1887, \$72.26. Assets, \$410. Lodge was directly represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. The Secretary expresses no opinion as to future prosperity of the Lodge ; however, I consider the outlook fair and encouraging. It is three years since a D.D.G.M. visited this Lodge.

Simpson Lodge, No, 157 : Meets at Newboro, on Tuesday on or before full moon. John R. Dargavel, W. M., Elgin ; Joseph H. Butler, Secretary, Newboro. Weather was unfavorable and roads were in bad condition when I visited this Lodge, on November 9th, 1886. Members on register, three honorary and fifty-seven ordinary ; total, sixty. Members present, thirteen, two of these being P. Ms. ; visitors present, four, among whom was Wor. Bro. W. Newlands, P.M. Minden Lodge, No. 253. The W. M. conferred the first degree, as well as opened and closed the Lodge in the several degrees. Although I had to make corrections throughout the ceremony, the work on the whole was well done. One of the P. Ms. who was present—R. Wor. Bro. R. H. Preston, P.D.D.G.M.—assured me that in general the work was far better done by the W. M. On this evening his J. W. and some other officers were absent. From July 15th, 1886, to June 22nd, 1887, the W. M. has conferred twenty-three degrees, viz.: nine E. A., seven F. C., and seven M. M. This is by far the largest amount of work done by any Lodge in this District. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. A hall, well appointed in every respect and valued at \$500, is owned by the Lodge, as also is the furniture, which is valued at \$375. Both building and furniture are insured, but no inventory is kept of the latter. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886 : regular, thirteen ; emergent, one ; total, fourteen. Meetings held since same date : regular, thirteen ; emergent, one ; total, fourteen. Average attendance, twenty. I received summonses for three meetings. Dues per year, \$2. Members in arrear over one year, eight ; over two, six ; over five, three ; longest period any member is in arrears, five years ; total arrears, assets and liabilities have not been submitted to me in Secretary's report. Lodge was not represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of Lodge is briefly expressed thus : "Good." I may add that this Lodge has long enjoyed the reputation of doing first-class work. Under its present active and pains-

taking W. M., the Lodge cannot but occupy a foremost place among the Lodges in this District.

Prince Arthur Lodge, No. 228 : Meets at Odessa on Monday, on or after full moon, W. M. McDonald, W. M., Westbrook ; John A. McKay, Secretary, Odessa. Weather was fine when I visited this Lodge on the 15th November, 1886. Members on register forty-six (all ordinary) ; members present, sixteen, one of these being a P. M. ; visitors present, sixteen, among whom were R. W. Bro. Waddington, P. D. D. G. M. ; W. Bro. A. LeRicheux, W. M., and Bro. Newlands, P. M., Minden, 253, and W. Bro. W. H. Godwin, Hiram Lodge, 342. The third degree was conferred by the W. M., who, I regret to say, manifested a very imperfect knowledge of the work, nor were the subordinate officers any better skilled. However, it affords me great pleasure to state that the W. M. and all his officers were not only willing but anxious to learn the correct work. In open Lodge and privately they expressed their appreciation of the instructions given them at this time. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid to Treasurer. A suitable hall is leased by the Lodge. Furniture valued at \$550 is owned by the Lodge ; inventory of same is kept by Secretary ; no insurance on furniture. Degrees conferred in year by W. M. : two E. A., two F. C., two M. M. ; restorations, one ; suspension N. P. D., three ; meetings called and held since July 15th, 1886, thirteen regular ; average attendance, twelve ; dues per year, \$2.00. I received summonses for three meetings. Members in arrear over one year, seven ; longest period any member is in arrears is eighteen months. Total arrears, June 16th, 1887, \$26.86 ; assets, \$589.86 ; liabilities, \$15.50. Lodge was represented by proxy at last meeting of Grand Lodge. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of Lodge, "fair ; I think our Lodge is looking up ; officers doing all they can to get the Lodge in good working condition."

Leeds Lodge, No. 201 : Meets at Gananoque on first Tuesday on or before full moon. J. C. Ross, W. M., Gananoque ; James Haywood, Secretary, Gananoque. Weather was fair when I visited this Lodge on the 7th December, 1886. Members on register, sixty-nine, all ordinary ; members present, twenty-five, three of those being P. Ms., among whom was V. W. Bro. Ormiston ; visitors present, three. The officers for the year were elected on this occasion. As there was no other work the W. M. opened and closed the Lodge in the several degrees. This, with a few exceptions was well and correctly done. The W. M. has worked since July 15th, 1886, three first and two second degrees. Degrees conferred in year,

5, viz :—Three E. A. and two F. C. A commodious and comfortable hall is leased by the Lodge. Furniture valued at \$894 is owned by the Lodge and insured for \$600 ; Secretary keeps inventory of same. Meetings called since July 15, 1886, regular, six ; emergent, one ; total, seven. Meetings held since said date : regular, twelve ; emergent, one ; total, thirteen ; average attendance, twelve. I received copy of summonses for seven meetings. This Lodge has not, unless there was work to be done, issued summonses to the members ; this course has been pursued in order to save the cost of postage and printing. I am strongly of the opinion that, in the long run, it will turn out to be mistaken economy, and cannot but operate severely against large attendances. Dues per year, \$3.00. Members in arrears over one year, twelve ; over two, twelve ; over three, two ; longest period any member is in arrears, three and a-half years ; total arrears, June 10th, 1887, \$150.50. Neither amount of assets or liabilities has been furnished me by this Lodge. Lodge was unrepresented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. The W. M. and Secretary informed me that many of the members never attended the Lodge and seemed to be quite indifferent as to its progress or decline. I am led to hope, from the assurances I received from the officers elected last December, that a more earnest and active interest will in future be taken in the Lodge. There is certainly a fine field to draw from and Masonry should flourish in a town of this size. I feel satisfied, that if the officers and members of this Lodge will only put their shoulders to the wheel and work all together, their spacious and comfortable Lodge room will be well filled on its nights of meeting, and their Lodge will soon become one of the most prosperous in this District.

Victoria Lodge, No. 299 : Meets at Centreville on Thursday on or before full moon. Robert Cox, W. M., Enterprise ; J. D. Wagar, Secretary, Enterprise. The weather was fine when I visited this Lodge on the 9th December, 1886. Members on register, forty-three—all ordinary ; members present, seven—of these two being P. Ms. ; visitors present, ten. There being no work, I requested the W. M. to open and close the Lodge in the 2nd and 3rd degrees. As I had heard a glowing account of the excellent work done heretofore by this Lodge, my surprise, disappointment and regret were the deeper when I found that the W. M. had not sufficient knowledge of the work to enable him to do so. I, therefore, with the assistance of W. Bro. Mullholland, of Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 146, and W. Bro. J. M. Smith, of Lorne Lodge, No. 404, went through the ceremony once, and parts of it over and over again. The Secretary was absent, nor were any of the books

of the Lodge there for my inspection. The W. M. has conferred one F. C. and two M. M. degrees during the year. Cash received by the Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. Hall is leased by the Lodge; ante room is not at all suitable. The furniture is not owned by the Lodge, but is the property of the Orange Society which meets in the same hall. I noticed the absence of certain furniture which is indispensable in every Masonic Lodge. The W. M. informed me that they had not got it. I instructed him to have this want supplied. Withdrawals during year, four; meetings called since July 15th, 1886, eleven regular; meetings held since July 15th, 1886, seven regular; average attendance, eleven. Dues per year, \$2.00 for members within Lodge's jurisdiction, and \$1.00 for those without. Members in arrear over one year, eighteen; over two, one; over three, one; over five, two; longest period any member is in arrears, eight years; total arrears, June 15th, 1887, \$90. Amount of invested funds, \$100; assets, \$150; liabilities, none. Lodge was directly represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. Secretary has promptly and regularly forwarded copy of summonses to me. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of the Lodge: "Fair prospects."

Union Lodge, No. 9: Meets at Napanee, on Friday on or before full moon. J. Walters, Acting W. M., Napanee; C. Z. Perry, Secretary, Napanee. Weather was fine when I visited this Lodge, on December 10th, 1886. Members on register, one honorary and sixty-four ordinary; total, sixty-five. Members present, twenty-three, three of these being P. Ms.; visitors present, thirty one, among whom were Rt. Wor. Bro. Longmore, P. D. D. G. M. I advised the W. M. of Mount Sinai, 280—Wor. Bro. A. H. Allison, of Napanee—as to the time I would visit Union, and at the same time invited him and the members of his Lodge to be present. The W. M. of Mount Sinai did not attend, but I had the pleasure of meeting Past Masters Wor. Bros. D. H. Preston, Ferguson and A. L. Morden, and several other members of this dormant Lodge. The third degree was correctly and impressively conferred by Acting Master Wor. Bro. J. Walters and Rt. Wor. Bro. R. Longmore. The officers for the ensuing year were then elected. I addressed the members of Union and Mount Sinai on the desirability of amalgamating. Each of these Lodges had, during Rt. Wor. Bro. Longmore's term of office, appointed a committee which arranged a basis of union. Mount Sinai approved of the report of the committee, but Union Lodge rejected it. Being aware of this, and having all day at my disposal in Napanee, I spent most of the

time before Lodge opened in interviewing representative members of these Lodges on the subject of amalgamation. All the members of Mount Sinai whom I approached expressed their willingness to make another attempt towards effecting a union. Some of the members of Union Lodge talked as favorably, while others said they would remain neutral and abide by the action their Lodge took in the matter. No further steps have at this writing been taken, but a few days since I was advised by Wor. Bro. Preston, P. M. of Mount Sinai, as well as by Wor. Bro. Wm. Scott, of Union, that this matter would again be brought before the Lodges at an early day. Cash received by Secretary of Union is promptly handed over to Treasurer. A large and comfortable hall is leased by the Lodge. Furniture valued at \$800 is owned by the Lodge, and insured for \$500. No inventory of furniture is kept. W. M. has worked the first, second and third degrees since July 15th, 1886. Degrees conferred in year: three E. A., two F. C., and two M. M. Joinings, three; withdrawals, two; restorations, two. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886: regular, thirteen; emergent, five; total, eighteen—all of which were held. Average attendance, eighteen. I received a copy of only one summons. Dues per year, \$2.50; members in arrear over one year, fourteen; over two, seven; over three, two; total arrears, June 23rd, 1887, \$95.63. Assets, \$800; liabilities, none. Lodge was directly represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of the Lodge: "Prospects favorable." There is not room for two Lodges in Napanee. If there was only one Lodge it would soon become one of the strongest and most prosperous in this District.

Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 146: Meets at Newburgh on Wednesday before full moon. W. W. Bell, Napanee, W. Master; Jno. Jackson, Newburgh, Secretary. Weather was fine when I visited this Lodge on the 8th December, 1886. Members on register, fifty-one—all ordinary; members present, twenty-four—four of these being P. Ms.; visitors present, nine. As the W. M. was not sufficiently well skilled to confer the third degree, he prevailed upon one of the P. Ms. of this Lodge, Rt. W. Bro. Longmore, P.D.D.G.M. to give it. It is unnecessary to state that the work was exceedingly well done by this distinguished and zealous Mason, as well as by the subordinate officers. The S. W. and J. W. of this Lodge are particularly bright Masons. A comfortable and suitable hall is leased by the Lodge. Furniture, valued at \$300, is owned by the Lodge and insured for \$200. Inventory of furniture is kept. The W. M. has worked the three degrees since July 15th, 1886, as

also have the P. Ms. Degrees conferred in year : five E. A., five F. C. and five M. M. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886 : regular, twelve ; emergent, one ; total, thirteen. Meetings held since July 15th, 1886 : regular, eleven ; emergent, one ; total, twelve ; average attendance, nineteen. I received a copy of only two summonses. Members in arrear over one year, seven ; over two, eight ; over three, one ; over four, one ; which is the longest period any member is in arrears. Total arrears, June 18th, 1887, \$50. Lodge was directly represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of Lodge : "Prospects never were brighter."

Frontenac Lodge, No. 363 : Meets at Cataraqui, on Tuesday on or before full moon. Henry Berry, W. M., Cataraqui ; John L. Haycock, P. M., Secretary, Cataraqui. Weather was cold but fine when I visited this Lodge, on the 4th January, 1887. Members on register, two honorary, one life, and thirty-three ordinary ; total, thirty-six. Members present thirteen, four of these being P. Ms. ; visitors present, two. In the absence of the W. M., the I. P. M.—Wor. Bro. R. H. Baker—occupied the chair, and opened the Lodge in the several degrees. This was fairly well done. The third degree was then conferred by Rt. Wor. Bro. Waddington, P. D. D. G. M., and Very Wor. Bro. H. J. Wilkinson, in a correct and very impressive manner. As a rule, the officers of this Lodge are not well up in their work. Their lack of knowledge may, in some measure, be attributed to the fact that they have not been visited by a D. D. G. M. for three years. Degrees conferred since July 15th, 1886, three, viz. : one E. A. and one F. C. by W. M., and one M. M. by P. M. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. A suitable and comfortable hall is leased by the Lodge. Furniture valued at \$300, and insured for \$200, is owned by the Lodge. Inventory of same is kept. Joinings, one. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886 : regular, thirteen ; emergent, one ; total, fourteen. Meetings held since said date : regular, nine ; emergent, one ; total, ten. Average attendance, ten. I received copy of summonses for six meetings. Dues per year, \$3. Members in arrear over one year, six ; over two, five ; over three, six ; over four, five ; over five, one ; longest period any member is in arrear, nine years ; total arrears, June 11th, 1887, \$160. Assets, \$300 ; liabilities, none. Lodge was represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge by proxy. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of Lodge : "Seems to be running in a groove ; the longer it runs, the deeper the groove will get. Too near the city." This Lodge is within three miles of

Kingston, but the members, I am sorry to say, do not take that warm and active interest which is necessary to maintain it in a healthy and vigorous condition. Unless a strong and united effort is speedily made by the members to improve the Lodge's condition, it must inevitably decline in a short time. Fresh life and energy should be infused into the work, and members elected to office who will not grudge the time and attention required to properly and systematically do the business of the Lodge.

Minden Lodge, No. 253: Meets at Kingston on first Monday in every week. W. M., Lewis W. Shannon, Kingston; John P. Oram, Secretary, Kingston. Rainy weather when I paid my official visit to this Lodge on the 7th February, '87. Members on register, one honorary; one life and eighty-three ordinary; total, 85; members present, sixteen; visitors present, two. The work done was confined to the opening and closing in the respective degrees; this was correctly and ably performed. During the year I have regularly attended this Lodge and seen the several degrees conferred; the work on every occasion being correctly and impressively given by the W. M. The Wardens are well skilled in their work. The W. M. has conferred three E. A., one F. C. and one M. M. degrees during the year. The hall and furniture used by The Ancient St. John's, No. 3 and Cataraqui, No. 92, are leased by this Lodge. The Lodge owns furniture valued at about \$200 on which there is no insurance, nor is inventory kept. Joinings, one; withdrawals, one; suspensions N. P. D., two. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886, regular, twelve; emergent, three; total, fifteen; all of which were held; average attendance, sixteen. I regularly received copy of the summonses. Dues per year, \$4.00; members in arrear over one year, seven; over two, three; over three, one; longest period any member is in arrears, three and a-quarter years; total arrears June 23rd, 1887, \$85.67. Amount of invested funds, \$465; assets, \$865.02: liabilities, \$17.95. Lodge was directly represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of Lodge: "Bright and prosperous."

St. John's Lodge, No. 340: Meets at Pittserry on Wednesday on or before full moon. J. A. Wilmot, W. M.; P. G. Wilmot, Secretary. On the 12th January, 1887, in compliance with invitation given me, I, accompanied by V. W. Bro. H. J. Wilkinson, set out in a sleigh to visit this Lodge and install the officers; the weather was very stormy and the roads were blocked with snow. After a drive of two and a-half hours we reached the residence of R. W. Bro. John Gallaher, which is distant from Kingston about nine miles. We found

him in ill health and unable to go to Lodge. He expressed his surprise at our coming on such a rough night and assured us that it was useless to go any further as none of the members would be at Lodge. It is needless to say that we were unprepared for such an intimation. However, acting on his advice we did not attempt to go any further, but returned to the city. On the 4th of May I made another attempt. The weather was fine and the roads were in excellent condition. W. Bro. J. A. Wilmot, W. M., occupied the chair. Members on register, one honorary and thirty-four ordinary; total, thirty-five; members present, eight, four of these being P. Ms.; visitors, two. I installed the W. M. elect, R. W. Bro. John Gallaher, and other officers, most of the officers are rusty and in need of instruction in the work. The Lodge has not been prospering of late years. Formerly, when under the guidance of R. W. Bro. Gallaher, it was in a flourishing condition. As he is in the east again I confidently expect to see the Lodge soon placed in a good working condition. The Secretary in giving his opinion as to further prosperity of the Lodge, says: "Hopeful." No degrees have been conferred during the year. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. Hall valued at \$600 is leased by the Lodge, is suitable and insured. Furniture valued at \$150 is owned by Lodge, but is uninsured; inventory is kept. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886: Regular, twelve; meetings held since said date, five; average attendance, thirteen. Dues per year, \$2.50; total arrears, 8th June, 1887, about \$100. Lodge was represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge by proxy. I received a copy of only two summonses during year. This Lodge has not been visited by a D. D. G. M. for five years.

Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 119: Meets at Bath, on Monday before full moon. F. W. Armstrong, W. M., Bath; Max Robinson (P. M.), Secretary, Bath. Weather was fine when I visited this Lodge, on May 2nd, 1887. Members on register, one honorary and thirty ordinary; total, thirty-one. Members present, twelve, three of these being P. Ms.; visitors present, one. The W. M. opened and closed the Lodge in the respective degrees in a very correct and creditable manner. No degrees have been conferred in this Lodge for two years. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. A suitable hall is leased by the Lodge. Furniture valued at \$300 is owned by the Lodge, and insured for \$200; no inventory of furniture is kept. Suspensions during the year for N. P. D., one. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886, regular, eleven; meetings held since said date, regular, eleven; average attendance, nine. I received copy of summonses regularly. Mem-

bers in arrear over one year, nine ; over two, one, which is the longest period any member is in arrear ; total arrears, 4th June, 1887, \$37. Dues per year, \$3. Lodge was represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge by proxy. Secretary, in his report to me, expresses no opinion as to future prosperity of Lodge ; however, as far as I can learn, the Lodge is at a stand-still—although not progressing, it is able to pay current expenses and keep out of debt. That the Lodge is alive at all is due to the unremitting efforts of the few devoted members who, month after month and year after year, attend the Lodge meetings and administer its affairs. I am led to hope that if Grand Lodge closes Filius Viduae, brighter days are in store for Maple Leaf Lodge, inasmuch as more territory will then be within her jurisdiction. The outlook at present certainly is not very encouraging.

Elysian Lodge, No. 212 : Meets at Garden Island on the first Monday in each month. John Mullin, W. M., Garden Island ; Alfred Dugdale, Secretary, Garden Island. On the 25th February, 1887, I advised the W. M. that I would visit his Lodge on the evening of the Regular Meeting, March 7th, 1887. Two days before the time appointed for visit I received a communication from the W. M. asking me to defer my visit as an accident had occurred on the Island which would prevent many of the members from attending Lodge on that evening. Accordingly I postponed my visit until the 17th May, for which purpose the W.M. called an emergent meeting at high noon. The weather was fine. Members on register, two honorary and thirty-two ordinary ; total, thirty-four ; members present, eight, three of these being P. Ms. The attendance appears small, but I was exceedingly well pleased with it, inasmuch as every Mason on the Island was present. Nearly all the members of this Lodge being mariners, are absent from the Island during the summer. Therefore very few meetings are held while navigation is open. The W.M. opened and closed the Lodge in the respective degrees ; this was correctly and creditably done. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. A suitable hall, valued at \$200, is leased by Lodge ; rent free. Furniture valued at \$100 is owned by Lodge ; no inventory is kept of it ; both building and furniture are uninsured. The W. M. conferred the third degree during year. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886 : regular, six ; emergent, two ; total, eight—all of which were held ; average attendance, nine. I did not receive a copy of any summons during year. Dues per year, \$1.50 ; members in arrears over one year, twenty ; over two, fifteen ; over three, ten ; over four, six ; over five, four ; longest period any member is in arrear, six years ; total

arrears at this date, \$85.50. Amount of invested funds, \$100; assets, not including arrears of dues, \$170.11; liabilities, none. Lodge was represented by proxy at last meeting of Grand Lodge. It is ten years since this Lodge was visited by a D. D. G. M. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity is thus given: "Hope to get along harmoniously."

Hiram Lodge, No. 342: Meets at Wolfe Island, on Friday on or before full moon. W. H. Godwin, W. M., Kingston; C. D. Horne, Secretary, Wolfe Island. Weather was fine when I visited this Lodge, on the 6th May, 1887. Members on register, two honorary and twenty-six ordinary; total, twenty-eight. Members present, six, of these one being a P. M. As the W. M. was not present, I did not hold a Lodge. I examined the books, which, I am sorry to say, are in a very unsatisfactory state. I could find no account of the receipts and disbursements. When I enquired for the register I was told that it was lost. In course of conversation I pointed out to the members present that Grand Lodge required each Lodge to keep an accurate account of moneys received and expended, also a register showing the names of members, date of initiation, joining, dimitting, etc., etc. I also instructed them to procure such books as are necessary to conduct the business of the Lodge correctly and systematically. Since July 15th, 1886, the W. M. has conferred one F. C., and a P. M. one E. A. degree. The W. M. and other officers elected in June, 1886, were not installed, and consequently did not take office. The officers elected in June, 1887, are now installed. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. A very good hall, built of brick, and valued at \$1,500, is owned by the Lodge. W. Bro. H. O. Hitchcock, P.M., on whose ground the building stands, loaned the Lodge \$800 to help erect the building. The Lodge has paid none of the principal and but very little interest. Its indebtedness on the building at the present time is over \$900, and, from present prospects, is likely to increase. The Lodge is also in arrears for Grand Lodge dues. A small, almost nominal, rent is derived from renting the Lodge room to the A. O. U. W. Furniture valued at \$100 is owned by the Lodge; no inventory is kept of it. Both building and furniture are uninsured. Withdrawals during year, two; suspensions N. P. D., two. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886: regular, nine; emergent, one; total, ten. Meetings held since said date: regular, six; emergent, one; total, seven. Average attendance, nine. I received a copy of one summons during year. Dues per year, \$3, total arrears, June 25th, 1887, \$100. Liabilities, \$1,000. The few

brethren who do attend Lodge are disheartened and discouraged—not only by the largeness of their debt, but also by the apathy and indifference displayed by the majority of the members. The S. W. and a P. M. of this Lodge informed me that the officers and members were so rusty in the work that they did not care to attend Lodge when visited by a D. D. G. M. This Lodge has not been visited by a D. D. G. M. for three years. I now leave this Lodge in the hands of Grand Lodge, and, in doing so, desire to express the opinion that every Lodge should not only pay its honest debts but also be in a position to carry into active operation the practice of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. Lodges which are so far reduced as to be unable, when contingency arises, to relieve want and distress, and otherwise act up to the teachings of our noble Order, bring Masonry into disrepute in their locality and cast reproach on the Craft at large. To continue such Lodges cannot work other than ill to the moral fabric which we all desire to see sustained and flourish.

Filius Viduae, No. 189, Adolphustown, has been dormant for over two years. The W. M., who resides eighteen miles from the Lodge, informs me that he has repeatedly called meetings, but could not get enough members together to hold a Lodge. With the exception of five or six, all the members have left the jurisdiction. All are in arrears for dues from one to five years. The Lodge's rent is two years in arrear. I am of the opinion that there is no chance whatever of resuscitating this Lodge. The W. M. and a P. M. of this Lodge say that they think the only course open is for Grand Lodge to recall the warrant and close the Lodge at an early day. I would recommend that such action be taken. I would further recommend that similar action be taken with Mount Sinai, No. 280, Napanee, in the event of amalgamation not being effected with Union, No. 9, of the same place.

The Ancient St. John's Lodge, No. 3 : Meets at Kingston on first Thursday of each month. W. M., Edward H. Smythe, Kingston ; John Sutherland, P. M., Secretary, Kingston. Weather was fair when I visited this Lodge on 7th April, 1887. Members on register : three honorary, sixteen life, eighty-two ordinary ; total, 101. Members present, twenty-three, of these four being P. Ms., among whom were Rt. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, D. G. M., and Very W. Bro. S. G. Fairtlough. Visitors present, nine. There was no work on this occasion. During the year I have frequently attended the meetings of this Lodge, and seen the work in the several degrees exemplified. The reputation which this Lodge long since acquired for

accuracy in work is well sustained by the W. M. and officers at present in the chairs. The W. M. has conferred three E. A., two F. C. and two M. M. degrees since July 15th, 1886. Cash received by Secretary is promptly handed over to Treasurer. A suitable and comfortable hall is leased by the Lodge. Value of furniture held jointly by this Lodge and Cataraqui, No. 92, \$1,172, as per inventory; value of furniture exclusive of above, and owned by this Lodge, \$630. Furniture is insured. Joinings during year, one; restorations, two; withdrawals, nine; suspensions N. P. D., five. Degrees conferred in year: three E. A., two F. C., two M. M.; total seven. I received copy of summonses regularly. Meetings called since July, 15th, 1886: regular, twelve; emergent, one; all of which were held. Average attendance, eighteen. Dues per year, \$4.00. Members in arrear over one year, one; longest period any member is in arrear, one and three-quarter years; total arrears, June 27th, 1887, \$7.00. Amount of invested funds, \$810.97. Assets, \$2,033.97; liabilities, none. Lodge was represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge. The W. M's. opinion as to future prosperity of Lodge: "Prospects very fair." This Lodge is the oldest in this District, having received its warrant from the Grand Lodge of England in 1794.

Cataraqui Lodge, No. 92: Meets at Kingston on the second Wednesday in each month. W. M., James Crawford, Kingston; Daniel Callaghan, Box 536, Kingston. Weather was favorable when I visited this Lodge on the 13th April, 1887. Members on register, one hundred and twenty, of whom five are honorary. Members present, twenty-two, five of these being P. Ms.; visitors present, six. The W. M. conferred the second degree. The work was ably and correctly given. The P. M. has worked, since July 15th, 1886, first, second and third degrees. Cash received by Secretary is promptly paid over to Treasurer. A spacious and comfortable hall is leased by the Lodge. Value of furniture owned jointly by this Lodge and The Ancient St. John's, No. 3, \$1,172, per inventory; value of furniture, exclusive of above, \$114. Furniture is insured for \$350. Degrees conferred in year, three, viz.: one E. A., one F. C. and one M. M. Restorations, one; withdrawals, four. Meetings called since July 15th, 1886: regular, eleven; emergent, one; total, twelve; all of which were held. Average attendance, sixteen and one-quarter. Dues per year, \$3.50, \$2.50 and \$1.50. Members in arrear over one and under two years, thirty-six; over two and under three, eight; over four and under five, one. Longest period any member is in arrears, four and five-twelfths years. Total arrears at 30th June, 1887,

\$218.91. Amount of invested funds, \$92.43. Assets, \$1,061.34; liabilities, \$80, about. Lodge was represented at last meeting of Grand Lodge by proxy. This Lodge has the largest membership in the District. Secretary's opinion as to future prosperity of the Lodge: "The indications are that the future of the Lodge will be prosperous." Rt. W. Bro. Waddington, P. D. D. G. M., and Very W. Bro. F. Rowland, were among the members present on the occasion of my visit. I regularly received copy of the summonses. Degrees conferred in year in this District: thirty-six E. A., thirty-two F. C., thirty M. M.; total, ninety-eight. The average attendance at the meetings throughout the District is not as large as it should be, nor are the arrears of dues properly looked after. I trust that next year a great improvement may be shown in both respects. The important matter of insuring furniture is neglected by not a few Lodges.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

Although I gave more or less instruction in all the Lodges I visited, I deemed it advisable to call one Lodge of Instruction. According to notice given to all the Lodges in this District, I opened a Lodge of Instruction at 2 p. m. on March 24th, 1887, in the Masonic Hall in the City of Kingston, for the purpose of securing accuracy and uniformity in the manner of conferring the three degrees and the general work of the Lodges. In the afternoon over fifty brethren were present, among whom were: Rt. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, D. G. M.; Rt. W. Bro. W. Waddington, P. D. D. G. M.; V. W. Bro. F. Rowland, Kingston; Rt. W. Bro. R. Longmore, P. D. D. G. M., Newburgh; V. W. Bro. S. G. Fairtlough, Kingston; W. Bro. E. H. Smythe, W. M., and Bro. Waddell, J. W., Ancient St. John's, No. 3; W. Bro. James Crawford, W. M., Bro. George Somerville, S. W., and Bro. C. Livingston, J. W., Cataraqui, No. 92; W. Bro. Lewis W. Shannon, W. M., W. Bro. A. LeRicheux, I. P. M., Bro. John Hunton, S. W., and Bro. Henry Mowat, J. W., Minden, No. 253; W. Bro. Fleming, P. M., Maple Leaf, No. 119, Bath; Bros. Aylesworth, S. W., and Tinkle, J. W., Prince of Wales, No. 146, Newburgh; W. Bro. J. Mullin, W. M., W. Bro. A. Malone, P. M., and Bro. A. H. Dugdale, Elysian, No. 212, Garden Island; W. Bro. L. H. Stover, W. M., Prince Arthur, No. 228, Odessa; W. Bro. W. H. Godwin, W. M., and W. Bro. H. O. Hitchcock, P. M., Hiram, No. 332, Wolfe Island; W. Bros. H. Berry, W. M., and R. H. Baker, P. M., Frontenac, No. 363, Cataraqui; W. Bro. J. M. Smith, W. M., and Bro. G. W. Richardson, S. W., Lorne, No. 404, Tamworth. The work in

the first degree was well exemplified by W. Bro. J. M. Smith, W.M., Lorne Lodge, No. 404, Tamworth (the youngest Lodge in this District), assisted by his own S.W., G. W. Richardson, and Bro. Henry Mowat, J.W., Minden, No. 253, the minor offices being filled by brethren from the city Lodges. Bro. Richardson, S.W., Lorne, No. 404, commanded the attention and admiration of the brethren present by the very able manner in which he gave the lecture in the first degree. The work in the second degree was to have been done by W. Bro. Bert. P. Day, W.M. Albion, No. 109, Harrowsmith. On the day of this meeting he wired me that owing to sickness he could not be present. In his absence W. Bro. E. H. Smythe, W. M., Ancient St. John's, No. 3, (the oldest Lodge in this District) kindly exemplified the work in this degree. He was assisted by Bro. George Somerville, S. W., Cataragui, No. 92, and Bro. Henry Mowat, J. W., Minden, No. 253. The work was performed in a correct and very impressive manner. The Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at six p. m., and labor was resumed at 7.30 p. m. At the evening session R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, D. G. M., again honored us with his presence. Nearly all the brethren present at the afternoon session attended Lodge in the evening, when there were upwards of eighty Masons present. The work in the third degree was exemplified by R. W. Bro. Longmore, P. D. D. G. M., Newburgh, assisted by Bros. Aylsworth, S. W., and Finkle, J. W., Prince of Wales, No. 146, Newburgh; the work was well done in every particular. In addition to the regular work a conversational half-hour was given both afternoon and evening, in asking and answering questions by many of the brethren present. I can truly say that all the brethren who took part in the exemplification of the work on this occasion, showed themselves to be bright and well skilled Masons. Although a very pleasant and instructive time was spent, at the close of the Lodge the visitors were entertained with refreshments by the city Lodges in the Chapter Hall, where some time was spent in enjoying the good things of the table and where toasts, speeches and songs were indulged in. Great credit is due to the brethren who came from various parts of the District to lend their assistance. I also desire to thank the W. Ms. and officers of the city Lodges for their united co-operation and support on this occasion. Great interest was manifested in the proceedings, and, I have no doubt, beneficial results will accrue to the Lodges which participated in the work as well as to all who were present.

The following Lodges complied with the requirements of Grand Lodge by paying their proportion of the cost of

D. D. G. M.'s regalia which I procured for this District : Union, No. 9 ; Albion, No. 109 ; Prince of Wales, No. 146 ; Simpson, No. 157 ; Leeds, No. 201 ; Elysian, No. 212 ; Prince Arthur, No. 228 ; Victoria, No. 299 ; Frontenac, No. 363 ; Lorne, No. 404 ; Ancient St. John's, No. 3 ; Cataraqui, No. 92 ; Minden, No. 253—the last three contributing, in addition to their equitable share, enough more to make up deficit which occurred through some of the Lodges failing to pay their quota of the expense.

The following Lodges defrayed my travelling expenses incurred on visiting them : Union, No. 9 ; Albion, No. 109 ; Maple Leaf, No. 119 ; Prince of Wales, No. 146 ; Simpson, No. 157 ; Leeds, No. 201 ; Victoria, No. 299 ; Lorne, No. 404. Residing in Kingston, I was under no expense in visiting Ancient St. John's, No. 3 ; Cataraqui, No. 92, and Minden, No. 253.

As a rule, throughout this District, the books of the Lodges are creditably kept. In some Lodges there is certainly room for improvement in this respect ; in others the records are models of correctness and neatness.

At the present time many of the Lodges are without copies of the Constitution of Grand Lodge. I trust every Lodge in this District will procure copies of the Constitution, if amended as was proposed at the last meeting of the Grand Lodge.

The following deaths have been reported to me : Bros. David Ford Jones and Hiram Wellbanks, M. Ms. of Leeds Lodge, No. 201 ; Bros. Herbert A. Bayne, Wm. Hales and Charles H. Crawford, M. Ms. of Ancient St. John's Lodge, No. 3 ; Bros. James Bogart and Sidney Lemon, M. Ms. of Union Lodge, No. 9 ; W. Bro. John Agnew, P. M. of Elysian Lodge, No. 212 ; Frederick Scobell and John K. Sherwood, M. Ms. Cataraqui, No. 92 ; Bro. Joseph Connolly, M. M. of Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 146. The last two brethren were buried with Masonic honors. I attended the funeral of our late W. Bro. Henry Berry, W. M. of Frontenac Lodge, No. 363, who was interred by the brethren of that Lodge. A large assemblage of Masons, both from his own and the city lodges, was present to pay him the last sad offices of respect.

During the year I installed the officers of Ancient St. John's Lodge, No. 3, Cataraqui, No. 92, Minden, No. 253, and St. John's, No. 340.

Two Lodges in the District applied to me for dispensations to install officers at a meeting other than that laid down in their by-laws. As it was not within my province to grant them,

I advised the Lodges to apply to the Most W. the Grand Master—Most W. Bro. H. Robertson.

I cannot but notice the prompt and satisfactory manner in which the Grand Secretary, Rt. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, at all times answered my communications.

I desire to express my high appreciation of the great honor conferred upon me by the brethren of this District, in unanimously electing me as their first D. D. G. M. Since I assumed office I have endeavored to discharge my important and onerous duties incident thereto, faithfully and impartially. Whether in, or out of the Lodges I have ever been solicitous of the welfare of this District. I have spent a great deal of my time in looking after its affairs. While I have endeavored to secure accuracy and uniformity in the manner of exemplifying our esoteric work, I have not been unmindful of strengthening the fundamental principles of our order, brotherly love, relief and truth. The perfect harmony and good fraternal feeling which prevail at present, I hope may ever continue. No complaints whatever have been made to me. I am greatly indebted to the W. Ms. and Secretaries of the Lodges for the trouble they have taken to furnish me with the information asked for on the form hereto attached. In conclusion I desire to tender my sincere thanks to the brethren of this District, for the kind and courteous treatment I have received from them in my official capacity.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

FREDERICK WELCH,

D. D. G. M. Frontenac District, No. 14.

Kingston, July 2nd, 1887.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada.

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—I have the honor to submit the following report on the condition of Masonry in the fifteenth Masonic District :

VISITS.

Having been elected to the responsible position of District Deputy Grand Master of this District at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge in 1886.

The first duty I was called upon to perform was to investigate (by order of Grand Lodge) a case of jurisdiction between

Harmony Lodge, No. 370 and Simpson Lodge, No. 157, which I did, and reported same to the Grand Secretary.

I have not been able to visit all the Lodges in this District. Circumstances of a private and unexpected nature, prevented me from doing so.

On my first visit to St. Francis, No. 24, I found them in very low water (not financially) but for want of some person to do the work. The W. M. was away during the summer season and the P. Ms. would not attend, to do the work. I made a second visit to this Lodge in December last, when I succeeded in having a new set of officers elected who have taken a deep interest in the work of the Lodge which is now in a prosperous condition.

With one or two exceptions, in all the Lodges I have visited, the work is being well carried out. On the whole, I feel safe in saying that Masonry was never in a more prosperous condition in this District than at the present time.

I have not missed but one meeting in my mother Lodge, Old Sussex, No. 5, during the past year, and although she does not rank the oldest in the province, she is second to none as regards work.

There is one thing of which I feel safe in boasting, and it is that we have in this District the oldest Mason in the Province, if not the oldest in America. I refer to W. Bro. Homer, of Rising Sun Lodge, No. 85, who celebrated his hundredth birthday in April last, and who has been a Mason for the past seventy-three years.

A dispensation has been granted by the M. W. the Grand Master, to a number of brethren in Maxwell, County Glengarry, to form a new Lodge, and I think from the material of which it is composed, that in due time they will show a good record.

Lyn Lodge, which has been under dispensation for the last year, and which I have visited three times, is in my estimation as good a working Lodge as there is in the District, and the brethren are therefore expecting from you a warrant at the present Grand Lodge Meeting.

During the year I granted the following dispensations : Lancaster, 207—to attend Divine service June 26th, 1887 ; Salem Lodge, 368—to attend Divine service June 26th, 1887 ; Crystal Fountain, 389—to march with Masonic clothing from hall to grove on July 1st, 1887. I also granted several dispensations for installation of officers after the proper date.

On July 1st, by request and with the authority of the M. W. the Grand Master, ably assisted by P. D. D. G. M. J. Menish

and the Grand Junior Warden and other prominent brethren in this District, I consecrated and dedicated the new Lodge room at North Augusta for Crystal Fountain Lodge, 389.

It would not be courteous on my part to close this report without returning my sincere thanks, as well as the thanks of the Masons of Brockville generally, to R. W. Bro. Worrell, Grand Chaplain, for the very able and efficient discourse he delivered to us in Trinity Church in Brockville, on June 26th, 1887.

In conclusion, I desire to thank the brethren throughout the District for the kindness and courtesy shown towards me during the past year, as the representative of the M. W. the G. Master in this District ; neither can I close this report without returning my thanks to P. D. D. G. M. Menish for the many services rendered by him.

And I trust that the Masonic year just about closed may have proved to be one of the the most successful in the annals of Freemasonry.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

A. L. RIDDEL,

D. D. G. M. St. Lawrence District No. 15.

OTTAWA DISTRICT, No. 16.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and the Grand Lodge of Canada :

I, the undersigned District Deputy Grand Master of the Sixteenth Masonic District, in accordance with my duty, beg to report as follows :

STATE OF THE CRAFT.

Harmony and peace prevail throughout the District in a marked degree, not one complaint having been made to me during my term of office. I have found an awakening to the interests of the Craft in almost every Lodge visited, the most fraternal feeling shown by each Lodge towards its sister Lodges, and a general desire of the brethren to learn more about our noble Order.

Before starting upon my visits I prepared a lecture or address upon Masonry (taking about thirty-five minutes to read), treating of it in a short way historically, and enlarging on the symbolic teachings of the three degrees. The reception this address met with, without an exception, was altogether beyond

its deserts. I felt satisfied, in making the venture, that the courtesy of the brethren to me would not allow them to openly criticize my humble efforts, and I was satisfied to meet even this reception ; but the honest and open avowal of their thankfulness have more than satisfied me, and I mention the fact simply to give the idea to other District Deputy Grand Masters. When such an officer visits his Lodges, he may get the impression, in some instances—and, no doubt, justified *prima facie*—that the work goes on languidly and carelessly, that there is inattention and indifference shown by the brethren present ; but the D. D. G. M. has only to open new flood-gates of information to see how eager one and all are for such intellectual Masonic food as a carefully prepared address or lecture will afford them. I commend the idea with much confidence to future District Deputies in this and other Districts. The field is ample, and the effort cannot fail to produce good results.

Another plan I suggested in my own Lodge, and had carried out, was to have the Wardens exemplify the degrees, choosing their own subordinate officers for the occasion. This is necessarily beneficial, and will ensure good material for the East—the brethren will then have practical evidence of the most efficient brother for the chair.

I found all the Lodges visited fairly prosperous—some of them particularly so—and very few murmurings about arrears of dues.

It gives me great pleasure to have it to say that I found the working of the different Lodges surprisingly in accord with what I am instructed is the correct work, when I have heard complaints from other quarters of grievances in this respect.

MASONIC LAW AND DECISIONS.

I have been asked my opinion on the following points :

1. A ballot passed fifteen times for Junior Warden, and no election. I was asked for a dispensation to call an emergent meeting for the purpose of an election, and to advise them what to do in case of a failure to elect then, as it was thought they would not then elect. Their Senior Warden had been elected Master, and their Junior Warden Senior Warden. I replied that a dispensation was not necessary, the Master having the power to call an emergent, and gave him the advice laid down by our present M. W. Grand Master in his work on "Jurisprudence"—for the Master to ask the brethren to limit their ballots to two brethren—but that I knew of no other way, in case of failure to elect him from time to time, but to keep on calling meetings until the office was filled.

2. A fellowcraft of a Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was in the Ottawa District, and likely to be a resident for some months. The Secretary of his mother Lodge asked the Lodge of the town where the brother resided to confer the third degree upon him. I was asked if it could be done. I replied that I thought if a Lodge working under a Grand Lodge jurisdiction recognized by our Grand Lodge, by resolution passed, properly signed and sealed, asked the other Lodge to confer such a degree, it might do so, if the Lodge to which the request was made by resolution consented to do so. This reply was made as it was, because I had seen it done in a Lodge of some repute, but I cannot find any written law on the point, and I consider some legislation ought to take place to put it beyond doubt.

3. I was asked for a dispensation to allow a Lodge clothed as Masons to go in procession with Oddfellows, United Workmen and Foresters (also in regalia) to decorate the graves of deceased brethren of each of these Orders. I was obliged to refuse the request.—(G. L. Proceedings, 1877, pages 151-2.)

DISPENSATIONS.

I granted dispensations to the following Lodges to attend Divine service clothed as Masons: Pembroke, No. 128, on 24th June, 1887; St. John's, No. 63, and Mississippi, No. 147, on Sunday, 26th June.

DEDICATION.

On the 29th June, at the request of the M. W. Grand Master, I consecrated and dedicated the new Lodge room at Mattawa, assisted amongst others by Dr. J. E. Josephs, W. M. of Pembroke Lodge, who exemplified the first degree and gave the lecture on the tracing board in that degree in an able manner, for the benefit and instruction of the Mattawa brethren.

I am sorry to say that repeated letters to Hawkesbury, No. 210, and Goodwood, No. 159, elicited no response. I find neither Lodge has made any return to Grand Lodge since 1st June, 1885. These Lodges I did not visit. Both are very much out of the way, and getting no replies to my letters, I fairly presumed nothing could be done in the way of a meeting. My predecessor similarly reported to me as to Hawkesbury, No. 210, during his term. I am told Hawkesbury lies near L'Orignal, where there is a Lodge working under a foreign register. Some effort ought to be made to get the latter to come under our register, when a flourishing Lodge could be made out of the material in both villages.

REDISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICTS.

Grand Lodge in 1886 adopted the Report of the Committee on this matter, who took away from the sixteenth District three of its oldest Lodges—Perth (two), Smith's Falls, (one)—and annexed them to the St. Lawrence District. Whilst giving the Committee credit for the manner of doing this heavy work generally, I must say they have overlooked their scheme or "plan of campaign" so far as it affected this District, except plan No. 1, viz.: "to ignore altogether municipal, parliamentary and geographical limits and boundaries." In this they have been eminently successful in our case, and I felt grieved last year that Grand Lodge should have seen fit to hurry on to the adoption of that report almost without the chance of a discussion. This District before had an area of 10,264 square miles (four times the size of any other District under the G. L. jurisdiction, except one), nineteen Lodges and a membership of nine hundred and eighty-eight. By taking away Perth and Smith's Falls, our area was reduced by the very appreciable sum of one hundred and one square miles, but the distance to be travelled by a D. D. G. M. not lessened one inch. Now a D. D. G. M. residing anywhere outside of the village of Lanark has to go to Smith's Falls to reach Perth, and to Perth to reach Lanark (the shortest and best route); in other words, he has to go out of the District altogether to get into it. Whilst our area was reduced only one hundred and one square miles, our membership was reduced one hundred and thirty-one members.

We were not overburdened with too many Lodges nor too many members; it was our magnificent distances which were burdensome. From Mattawa Lodge, in the West, to Hawkesbury Lodge, in the East, a D. D. G. M. is obliged to travel 260 miles by rail, stage and water, and visit (socially) Smith's Falls and Perth whilst going to visit Lanark officially.

The members of the Craft in this District feel that their rights have not been duly considered, and, whilst not desiring to even hint that the Committee were actuated by other than justice to all, it is clear that it has not been done to us. The formation in the near future of a Lodge at North Bay (only 45 miles further west again than Mattawa) will exhilarate my successor. If the Committee thought it best to take away any Lodges from us—and on this point we don't desire to quarrel—I do urge that Hawkesbury and Plantagenet should have been the ones, thereby lessening our area very considerably and tending to better illustrate (so far as we are concerned) the said Committee's adhesion to clauses 2, 3 and 4 of their "plan." I mention this matter at the request of all

the Lodges visited by me, and in the hope that, should W. Bro. Lightfoot's motion now before Grand Lodge not pass, the brethren throughout the Grand Lodge jurisdiction will see our position stated in a report printed in Grand Lodge Proceedings, and ultimately the grievance may be remedied.

In surrendering to Grand Lodge the trust held by me for the last year, I desire here to express to the brethren of the District my deep sense of their unqualified courtesy and attention. It was very pleasing, and will never be forgotten by me.

I am conscious I have not done all I might have done, though I have visited all the Lodges in my District that held meetings, except two, and some of them more than once. My time being pretty fully occupied in my calling, I had pre-arranged Lodges of Instruction at different points for two of the winter months. Our Legislators saw fit to bring on two general elections, covering my allotment. These two subjects not being capable of assimilation, the lesser became merged in the greater, and my Lodges of Instruction went by the board. I can only promise, as an *amende honorable*, to assist my successor to the best of my ability at his Lodges of Instruction, and to continue to devote all my available time to the interests of our noble institution in general and my own District in particular.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

JAS. H. BURRITT,

D. D. G. M., Ottawa District No. 16.

Pembroke, Ont., 9th July, 1887.

ALGOMA DISTRICT, No. 17.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Canada :

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN,—In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of Grand Lodge, I beg herewith to submit a report on the condition of Masonry in Algoma District.

I am happy to state that I have been able to visit every Lodge in the District once, and some of them several times. They are six in number, with membership, assets, liabilities, etc., as follows :

NAME.	NO.	LOCATION.	Membersh.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	ASSETS.	Liabil- ities.	Insur- ance.
Shuniah.	287	Port Arthur.....	88	8	7	4	\$1,753	None.	\$660
Manitoulin ..	407	Gore Bay.....	31	5	4	2	300	"	None.
Keystone....	412	Sault Ste. Marie.	21	3	2	1	335	\$93	\$300
Pequonga....	414	Rat Portage	77	13	12	9	1,000	None.	500
Fort William.	U. D.	Fort William...	21	12	12	10	350	"	None.
Keewatin....	U. D.	Keewatin	18	..	..	..	200	"	"

At first sight it might appear that owing to the small number of Lodges in the District it would be an easy task for the D. D. G. M. to visit them all; but when I call your attention to the fact that in area the District of Algoma comprises fully one half the whole territory under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and that the Lodges are scattered from one end of the District to the other, thereby entailing considerable expense and loss of time to visit them all, it will be seen that the office of the D. D. G. M. is no sinecure.

Beginning at Gore Bay (whose nearest Lodge in the old settled part of Ontario, is at Owen Sound, one hundred and fifty miles distant), we go by boat one hundred and fifty miles to Sault Ste. Marie; then boat two hundred and seventy-eight miles to Port Arthur; then train seven miles to Fort William; then train three hundred miles to Rat Portage; then three miles to Keewatin, making a distance altogether, between the Lodges at the extreme ends of the District, of seven hundred and thirty-eight miles.

I visited Manitoulin Lodge at Gore Bay, on September 27th, 1886, when there was an attendance of twenty-one members and three visitors. The work was exemplified in the first and second degree by the W. M. of the Lodge, W. Bro. Young, in a very satisfactory manner. On the 28th I held a Lodge of Instruction in the third degree, at which there was the same attendance of members.

I visited Keystone Lodge at Sault Ste. Marie, on October 1st, and although the weather was very disagreeable there was a good attendance of members and visitors. The W. M. not being present I occupied the East and initiated a candidate, finding the rest of the officers well up in their work. On October 2nd at the request, and in the name of the M. W. the Grand Master, I had the honor of consecrating and constituting Keystone Lodge, No. 412, and installing the officers

excepting the W. M. Rev. Bro. N. A. McDiarmid, who had been appointed the first W. M. of the Lodge, he having been removed from Sault Ste. Marie to some point in Eastern Ontario by the Stationing Committee of the Methodist Church of Canada, of which he is a minister.

I visited Shuniah Lodge of Port Arthur on the 27th of December, and installed their officers. I held a general Lodge of Instruction here on the 7th, 10th and 12th of May, at which there was a fair attendance but not so large as I should like to have seen. This is the pioneer Lodge of the District and is in splendid working order. The W. M., W. Bro. T. I. C. Rodden and officers being very efficient in the work.

Fort William Lodge, U. D., has increased rapidly in members during the past year, and of good material. Owing to illness their W. M., W. H. Carpenter has been unable to attend the meetings of the Lodge. I have therefore attended nearly all their meetings during the past year, and with the assistance of W. Bro. T. I. C. Rodden of Shuniah Lodge, have conferred the degrees upon a large number of candidates.

I visited Keewatin Lodge, U. D., on June 28th, when the newly appointed W. M., Bro. John A. Warren, exemplified the first degree in a very satisfactory manner. This Lodge commenced with eighteen charter members who are very enthusiastic in the cause of Masonry. Although only started a couple of weeks they have already three applications for initiation and number of others have expressed a desire to join.

I visited Pequonga Lodge at Rat Portage, on the 30th of June, 1887, at which there was a large attendance. The work is performed by the W. M. and officers of the Lodge in a highly creditable manner; one feature of which I was particularly well pleased with is that the charges in the Book of Constitution are delivered orally, (this is also done in Keewatin Lodge). Pequonga Lodge until a short time ago was working under the Grand Registry of Manitoba, and although there was a desire on the part of the majority of the members to remain under the G. R. M., (which was but natural upon their part as the distance to Winnipeg is so slight in comparison with the distance they are now necessitated to travel in order to attend Grand Lodge), they have cheerfully acquiesced in the decision of and acknowledged their allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The halls in which the Lodges meet, although not owned by them, are (with the exception of Gore Bay and Keewatin) remarkably good, well furnished, and in every way adapted for the purposes for which they are intended. The one at

Gore Bay, although very comfortable, is not satisfactory to the brethren, who expect to have a much better one fitted up shortly. At Keewatin their hall is not quite completed, but will be in a few days, and when furnished (the furniture for which has been ordered, and which they have the funds on hand to pay for) they will have as comfortable a Lodge room as there is in the District.

The books I found well kept, and moneys, so far as I could learn, promptly paid over by the Secretaries to the Treasurers.

I granted three dispensations to the brethren permitting them to appear in Masonic clothing to attend Divine Service.

The following deaths have been reported to me : R. W. Bro. John F. Clarke, an honorary and highly esteemed member of Shuniah Lodge, No. 287, Port Arthur, and an old officer of the Grand Lodge of Canada ; and Bro. W. F. McRae, S. W., Manitoulin Lodge, No. 407, Gore Bay.

With the exception of Shuniah Lodge, No. 287, and Pequonga Lodge, No. 414, there are very few members in arrears. These Lodges state that the reason a few of their members are in arrear is that they have removed to other Districts, and that in most of the cases it is difficult to obtain their correct post-office addresses.

I am pleased to say that harmony prevails throughout the whole District, not having had a complaint of any kind made during my term of office.

The prospects of all the Lodges in this District are particularly bright, and their future prosperity assured. I expect that during the coming year there will be applications for warrants of dispensations for several new Lodges at points at which good working and prosperous Lodges could be established.

In conclusion, I have to tender my thanks to the officers and members of the Lodges throughout the District for the kindness and courtesy they have extended to me during my term of office.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

ALEX. W. THOMPSON,

D.D.G.M., Algoma District No. 17.

Port Arthur, June 30th, 1887.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON WARRANTS.

R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, President of the Board of General Purposes, presented and read the following

REPORT.

The Board beg leave to report that they have examined the books of the following Lodges at present working under dispensation, and having made due inquiry into the circumstances stated in their applications, have much pleasure in recommending that warrants be granted to them, viz.:

Fort William Lodge, Fort William, Algoma District.

Lyn “ Lyn, Leeds County.

Keewatin “ Keewatin Mills, Algoma District.

The Committee also recommend that dispensations be continued until the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge to the following Lodges, viz.:

Maxville Lodge, Maxville, Glengarry County.

Point Edward Lodge, Point Edward, Lambton County.

Fraternally submitted.

DONALD ROSS,

Chairman of Sub-Committee.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by R. W. Bro. Donald Ross, and

Resolved,— That the Report of the Board on Warrants be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON AUDIT AND FINANCE.

R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, President of the Board of General purposes, presented and read the following

REPORT.

The Board, through the Committee on Finance, have audited the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and certify to their correctness.

All moneys received by the Grand Secretary have been paid over to the Grand Treasurer, and the receipt acknowledged by that officer. Vouchers have been produced for all

payments made by the Grand Treasurer, as authorized by Grand Lodge.

The receipts and expenditure from 1st June, 1886, to the 31st May, 1887, have been as follows :

Receipts.

Transferred from Special Deposit, C. B. of C....	\$55,400 00
Certificates	2,471 00
Dues	9,157 25
Fees	1,379 50
Dispensations	144 00
Warrants	50 00
Constitutions	325 75
Sundries	96 15
Interest on General Fund	1,755 12
Interest on Asylum Fund.....	226 00
Cash in Bank, 31st May, 1886.....	13,559 94
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	\$84,564 71

Expenditures.

Grand Secretary's salary	\$ 1,600 00
Assistant " "	800 00
Rent of G. Secretary's office.....	175 00

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES, viz.:

Fuel and light.....	\$ 61 23
Office cleaning.....	39 01
Express and cartage.....	15 73
Travelling expenses.....	45 65
Telegrams	13 01
Office furniture	8 05
Sundries	7 54
Postages	222 26

\$412 48

Less amount due Grand Sec'y.. 112 48

300 00

Grand Secretary's balance of incidentals, 31st
May, 1886

55 92

Allowance to Grand Master	\$ 500 00
R. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, postage 2 years	12 58
M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, postage 3 years.....	45 00
Copp, Clark & Co., certificates, etc.....	284 72
R. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, expenses <i>re</i> Redistribution of Districts.	140 08
R. Duncan & Co., books and stationery	46 10
Expenses, Board of General Purposes	831 50
“ of Grand Lodge Meeting.....	109 75
Ennis & Cook, sundry printing.....	12 00
Spectator, “ “	81 25
Buntin, Gillies & Co., stationery	35 44
Times, sundry printing	95 50
Premium on Guarantee Policy	50 00
W. C. Morrison, repairs to Regalia	12 00
F. Cook, stenographer, <i>re</i> Minister and Lodge 22.....	28 60
Insurance on Regalia, etc.....	17 50
Testimonial to M. W. Bro. Murray	260 00
Invested in Loan Companies' Debentures....	60,000 00

BENEVOLENCE :

Orders on Benevolent Fund	\$9,625 00
Mrs. Wilson	300 00
Miss Wilson	300 00
Mrs. Harris.....	225 00
Charleston Earthquake	400 00
	<hr/> 10,850 00
Cash in Bank of Commerce, 31st May, 1887.	8,221 77
	<hr/> \$84,564 71

The funds of the Grand Lodge on the 31st May, 1887, were as follows :

London Loan Co., debentures.....	\$10,000 00
Western Canada Loan & Savings Co., debentures.....	10,000 00
Canada Permanent Loan & Savings Co., debentures.	10,000 00

Landed Banking & Loan Co., debentures...	\$10,000 00
Hamilton Provident & Loan Co., debentures.	10,000 00
Huron & Erie Loan & Savings Co., debentures.....	10,000 00
Cash in Bank of Commerce	8,221 77
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	\$68,221 77

Which represents the balances at the credit of the following accounts :

General Fund.....	\$13,842 73
do invested 1st Oct., '86.	4,600 00
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	\$18,442 73
Asylum Fund, balance May, 1886.	10,848 75
Add interest collected.. . . .	220 00
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	11,074 75
Benevolent investment account, balance May, 1886	32,855 47
Add 10 per cent. Gross receipts to 31st May, 1887.... .	1,362 36
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	34,217 83
Benevolent Fund, Current acc't.	4,486 46
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	\$68,221 77

The Board have examined the following accounts and finding them correct recommend their payment :

Buntin, Gillies & Co., Stationery.....	\$ 34 03
R. Duncan & Co., Registers, etc.....	90 95
Spectator Printing Co., Proceedings, Consti tutions, etc.....	999 49
Copp, Clark & Co., Certificates, etc.....	443 99
Times Printing Co., Sundry Printing....	103 95
Grand Secretary, balance of incidentals, 31st May, 1887.....	112 48
Grand Secretary, advance for incidentals....	300 00
M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, Postages... .	15 00
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	\$2,099 89

Referring to the investment of the Grand Lodge Funds which was deputed to the Finance Committee, the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Treasurer, your Board beg to report that after communicating with certain Loan Societies of the Province, they decided to make the following investments :

Canada Permanent Loan and Savings Co., Toronto—2 debentures, \$5,000 each, due 1st October, 1891. Interest 1st April and 1st October, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Western Canada Loan and Savings Co., Toronto—2 debentures, \$5,000 each, due 1st January, 1892. Interest 1st January and 1st July, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Hamilton Provident and Loan Society, Hamilton,—2 debentures, \$5,000 each, due 2nd July, 1891. Interest 2nd January and 2nd July, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Landed Banking and Loan Co., Hamilton,—2 debentures, \$5,000 each, due 1st October, 1891. Interest 1st April and 1st October, $4\frac{3}{4}$ per cent.

Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Co., London,—2 debentures, \$5,000 each, due 1st January, 1892. Interest 1st January and 1st July, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

London Loan Co. of Canada, London,—2 debentures, \$5,000 each, due 1st October, 1891. Interest 1st January and 1st July, 5 per cent.

Tenders being invited for Grand Lodge Printing for a term of three years, your Board recommend that the tender of the Times Printing Co. of Hamilton, be accepted.

An application has been received from Bro. T. D. Pennington, Secretary of the General Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, soliciting this Grand Lodge to become a contributor to the said association at a cost of one cent per annum per member upon the Registry of the Grand Lodge. That each Lodge would secure the warning circular issued monthly which would guard them against being imposed upon by tramps and impostors soliciting relief.

Your Board after conferring with the representatives of the Toronto and London Boards of Relief, who are members of the Association and whose reports are highly satisfactory as to

the great assistance rendered them against impostors, recommend that the Grand Lodge affiliate with the said General Masonic Relief Association and that a warrant be drawn for the amount necessary to constitute us members and that a representative be appointed by the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted.

T. SARGANT,
Chairman of Sub-Committee.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by R. W. Bro. Thos. Sargent, and

Resolved,—That the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be received and (subsequently) adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE.

R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, on behalf of the Board, presented the following report :

The Board have had under consideration the several applications for relief, and, after due consideration, recommend that the following appropriations be paid during the ensuing year from the Funds of Benevolence, in two half-yearly payments namely :—

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.
1	Toronto Board of Relief	\$100	Sec.-Treas. Toronto L.B.R.
2	Hamilton “	100	“ Hamilton “
3	London “	100	“ London “
4	Ottawa “	30	“ Ottawa “
5	Kingston “	50	“ Kingston “
6	Peterboro’ “	20	“ Peterboro’ “
7	Chatham “	40	“ Chatham “
8	St. Thomas “	10	“ St. Thomas “
9	Windsor “	10	“ Windsor “
10	Widow of J. K.....	20	“ Toronto “
11	“ A. DeG.....	40	“ “ “
12	“ J. P.....	30	“ “ “
13	“ R. S. D.....	20	“ “ “
14	“ W. J.....	30	“ “ “
15	“ J. J.....	20	“ “ “

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.		
16	Widow of F. N.....	\$30	Sec.-Treas.	Toronto	L. B. R.
17	" J. W. C.....	20	"	"	"
18	" J. A.....	20	"	"	"
19	" J. P.....	30	"	"	"
20	" J. McK.....	20	"	"	"
21	" W. A. G.....	40	"	"	"
22	" H. B.....	20	"	"	"
23	" R. R.....	30	"	"	"
24	" J. G.....	20	"	"	"
25	" R. S. B.....	20	"	"	"
26	" J. T.....	20	"	"	"
27	" E. G.....	30	"	"	"
28	" C. S.....	40	"	"	"
29	" S. McB.....	20	"	"	"
30	" J. M.....	30	"	"	"
31	" A. W. T.....	20	"	"	"
32	" T. R.....	20	"	"	"
33	" J. G. B.....	30	"	"	"
34	Bro. D. B.....	40	"	"	"
35	Janet, orphan of J. M....	10	"	"	"
36	Euphema, orphan of J. W	10	"	"	"
37	Widow of G. S.....	20	"	Hamilton	"
38	" P. P.....	20	"		"
39	" W. W. P.....	20	"		"
40	" G. S.....	20	"		"
41	" J. B. H.....	30	"		"
42	" J. W.....	20	"		"
43	" J. W. F.....	20	"		"
44	" W. W. R.....	20	"		"
45	" P. S.....	30	"		"
46	" W. S.....	30	"		"
47	" W. L.....	30	"		"
48	" T. McC.....	20	"		"
49	" W. A. H.....	20	"		"
50	" T. E. S.....	20	"		"
51	" J. W. H.....	20	"		"
52	" W. J. S. K.....	20	"		"

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.		
53	Widow of J. S. L.....	\$40	Sec.-Treas.	Ham'ton	L.B.R
54	" J. McK.....	30	"	"	"
55	" A. McM.....	20	"	"	"
56	" J. E.....	20	"	"	"
57	" J. R. G... ..	40	"	"	"
58	" J. B.....	20	"	"	"
59	" G. G.....	30	"	"	"
60	" T. S.....	30	"	"	"
61	" T. W. W.....	20	"	"	"
62	" W. D... ..	20	"	"	"
63	" A. M.....	30	"	"	"
64	" W. C. C.....	30	"	"	"
65	Wife of J. R. G.....	40	"	"	"
66	Louise, daughter of P.H.E.	20	"	"	"
67	Bro. C. W. S.....	50	"	"	"
68	Widow of T. W.....	20	"	London	"
69	" J. Le C.....	20	"	"	"
70	" E. L... ..	20	"	"	"
71	" T. L... ..	20	"	"	"
72	" A. McI.....	20	"	"	"
73	" C. B... ..	30	"	"	"
74	" L. H... ..	30	"	"	"
75	" E. W. G... ..	20	"	"	"
76	" D. M.....	20	"	"	"
77	" G. H.....	20	"	"	"
78	" A. G.....	40	"	"	"
79	" G. C... ..	30	"	"	"
80	" J. P.....	20	"	"	"
81	" W. H. K.....	20	"	"	"
82	" T. McC. L... ..	30	"	"	"
83	" J. W... ..	20	"	"	"
84	" R. J. S... ..	20	"	"	"
85	" D. McK.....	20	"	"	"
86	" W. H. S.....	20	"	"	"
87	" T. G. S... ..	20	"	"	"
88	" S. M... ..	30	"	"	"
89	" H. R. B... ..	30	"	"	"

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.		
90	Widow of J. H.....	\$20	Sec.-Treas.	London	L.B.R.
91	" L. G. J.....	30	"	"	"
92	" L. O.....	30	"	"	"
93	" J. R....	20	"	"	"
94	" I. H.....	20	"	"	"
95	" J. E.....	30	"	"	"
96	" T. E.....	20	"	"	"
97	Wife and children of J. M.	30	"	"	"
98	Orphans of J. O.....	30	"	"	"
99	Bro. S. T.....	50	"	"	"
100	Widow of T. S.....	30	"	Ottawa	"
101	" J. S.....	20	"	"	"
102	" J. H.....	30	"	"	"
103	" J. H. McB....	40	"	"	"
104	" E. C. B.....	40	"	"	"
105	" J. McK.....	40	"	"	"
106	" E. P.....	30	"	"	"
107	" J. S. I.....	20	"	"	"
108	Orphans of J. O.....	40	"	"	"
109	" J. M....	20	"	"	"
110	Widow of T. H.....	30	"	Kingston	"
111	" R. C. B.....	40	"	"	"
112	" S. B.....	30	"	"	"
113	" G. A....	20	"	"	"
114	" J. B. T....	20	"	"	"
115	" A. D. McD....	20	"	"	"
116	" J. K. O.....	30	"	"	"
117	" J. K. O.....	20	"	"	"
118	" W. T....	30	"	"	"
119	" W. R.....	30	"	"	"
120	" W. J.....	40	"	"	"
121	" R. N....	20	"	"	"
122	" D. C.....	40	"	"	"
123	" W. W. N.....	40	"	"	"
124	" P. S. L.....	20	"	"	"
125	" J. H. B.....	30	"	"	"
126	Brother T. P.....	40	"	"	"

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.	
127	Orphans of W. R.....	\$20	Sec.-Treas.	Kingston L.B.R
128	Widow of F. W. R.....	30	"	Peterboro' "
129	" W. B.....	20	"	" "
130	" T. B. M.....	40	"	" "
131	" S. T.	40	"	" "
132	" S. W.....	30	"	" "
133	Widow of H. C.....	20	"	" "
134	" J. N.....	30	"	" "
135	" A. B.....	20	"	" "
136	" R. L.	20	"	Chatham "
137	" D. C.....	30	"	" "
138	" J. McP.....	30	"	" "
139	" W. C.....	30	"	Guelph "
140	" G. S. B.....	20	"	" "
141	Brother J. E. W.....	50	"	" "
142	Louise, daughter of R.H.L	20	"	" "
143	Widow of S. I.....	20	"	Stratford "
144	" J. W. S.....	30	"	St. Thomas "
145	Brother G. F. P.....	30	"	" "
146	Widow of C. I. E... ..	30	"	Galt "
147	" A. K.....	40	"	" "
148	" T. B.....	20	"	" "
149	" W. L.	20	"	Strathroy "
150	" R. W. M.....	20	"	" "
151	" J. C. S.....	40	"	" "
152	" J. S.....	20	"	" "
153	" D. R.....	20	"	" "
154	" W. J. B.....	20	"	" "
155	" H. H.....	30	"	" "
156	" J. McN	20	"	" "
157	" R. C. S.....	20	"	" "
158	" A. M.....	20	"	" "
159	" T. C.....	20	"	" "
160	" J. M. B.....	10	"	" "
161	" S. K.....	20	"	Goderich "
162	" E. C.....	30	"	" "
163	" H. R.....	20	"	" "

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.
164	Widow of M. McP.	\$40	Sec.-Treas. Goderich L. B. R.
165	" D. McL.	40	" " "
166	" W. S. McK.	20	" " "
167	" P. M.	30	" " "
168	Brother J. S. V.	50	" " "
169	Widow of W. P.	30	" Woodstock "
170	" J. C.	20	" " "
171	" W. D.	40	" " "
172	" H. H.	30	" " "
173	" G. M.	20	" " "
174	" A. S.	40	" " "
175	Brother G. F. P.	40	" " "
176	Widow of D. H.	30	" Barrie "
177	Brother J. B.	50	" " "
178	Orphans of J. H. M. . . .	40	" " "
179	" W. T.	20	" " "
180	Widow of J. F.	20	" Brockville "
181	" F. A. C.	30	" " "
182	" J. G. F.	30	" Owen S'nd "
183	" A. S. McI.	20	" " "
184	" R. H.	30	W. M. Niagara, 2.
185	" J. T.	20	" " "
186	" T. N.	30	" Union, 9.
187	" J. C.	20	" " "
188	" T. B.	20	" " "
189	" W. D. H.	30	" Norfolk, 10.
190	" A. D.	20	" " "
191	" J. B.	20	" " "
192	" L. W.	30	" " "
193	" W. D.	20	" True Britons, 14.
194	" J. H.	40	" " "
195	Anna Jane, dau. of J. N. .	20	" " "
196	Widow of J. J. C.	20	" Prince Edward, 18.
197	" W. S.	30	" " "
198	" R. L.	20	" St. Francis, 24.
199	" A. McG.	20	" Ontario, 26.
200	" W. J. P.	30	" " "

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable
201	Widow of J. R. R....	\$20	W.M. Ontario, 26.
202	" T. W. C....	20	" Composite, 30.
203	" W. J....	20	" "
204	Children of R. F.....	40	" "
205	Widow of A. D.....	30	" Jerusalem, 31.
206	" D. S.....	20	" "
207	" G. G.....	20	" "
208	" S. B.....	40	" Amity, 32.
209	" W. L....	20	" "
210	" W. J.....	30	" "
211	" S. W.....	30	" "
212	" J. McV.....	20	" Thistle, 34.
213	Orphans of M. S.....	30	" "
214	Widow of B. N.....	20	" Welland, 36.
215	Bro. H. T. R.....	50	" "
216	Widow of W. A... ..	30	" "
217	" I. N.....	30	" Trent, 38.
218	" F. R. H. G... ..	30	" Brant, 45.
219	" D. L. C.....	20	" Madoc, 48.
220	" J. M.....	20	" Vaughan, 54.
221	" R. W.....	20	" "
222	" C. E. V.....	20	" "
223	" T. R.....	20	" "
224	" A. G.....	30	" Merrickville, 55.
225	" J. S... ..	20	" St. Andrew's, 62.
226	" I. L. S... ..	30	" Durham, 66.
227	" T. B. C.....	40	" Stirling, 69.
228	" W. A. B....	20	" St. James,' 73.
229	" J. I.....	30	" "
230	" D. C.....	20	" "
231	Bro. J. I.....	40	" "
232	Widow of W. J. I.....	30	" Faithful Brethren, 77
233	Brother J. W.....	40	" Simcoe, 79.
234	Widow of D. McL.....	20	" St. John's, 81.
235	" J. McK.....	40	" "
236	" E. H.....	20	" "
237	" R. H.....	30	" Manito, 90.

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.
238	Widow of A. N. B.....	\$20	W.M. Colborne, 91.
239	" G. G.....	20	" "
240	" J. E. B.....	20	" "
241	" T. A. G.....	20	" "
242	Brother J. M.....	50	" Northern Light, 93.
243	Orphans of W. J. D.....	30	" "
244	Widow of R. F.....	20	" Sharon, 97.
245	" W. H.....	20	" "
246	" R. B. C. P....	20	" "
247	Orphans of J. W. A.....	20	" "
248	Widow of R. F.....	40	" Tuscan, 99.
249	" J. R.....	30	" "
250	" R. B.....	20	" Maple Leaf, 103.
251	" J. F. B.....	30	" "
252	Eliza, dau. of S. S.....	40	" St. John's, 104.
253	Widow of T. P.....	20	" Burford, 106.
254	" J. B. S.....	30	" "
255	" G. W. V.....	20	" Albion, 109.
256	Brother P. M.....	50	" "
257	" R. P.....	50	" "
258	Widow of E. U.....	20	" "
259	" J. P.....	30	" Central, 110.
260	" T. D. H.....	40	" "
261	" W. A.....	20	" Wilson, 113.
262	" W. S. P.....	20	" "
263	" W. P.....	20	" "
264	" J. W. B.....	40	" "
265	Widow of R. B.....	30	" Cassia, 116.
266	" T. A.....	20	" Maple Leaf, 119.
267	" W. P.....	20	" Doric, 121.
268	" H. R.....	20	" "
269	" C. B.....	40	" "
270	" J. A. P.....	20	" Cornwall, 125.
271	" T. P. D.....	20	" "
272	" W. H.....	30	" "
273	" J. H.....	20	" The Rising Sun, 129
274	" J. S.....	40	" St. Lawrence, 131

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.
275	Widow of W. R.....	\$40	W.M. St. Clair, 135
276	" J. R. M.....	20	" "
277	" J. P.....	20	" "
278	Brother J. B.....	40	" Richardson, 136.
279	Widow of W. C. J	30	" Pythagoras, 137.
280	" J. J.....	40	" Lebanon, 139.
281	" R. G.....	20	" Prince of Wales, 146
282	" J. D. R.	20	" "
283	Harriette, dau. of J. R. S.	40	" "
284	Widow of J. T.....	30	" Mississippi, 147,
285	" W. A. D.....	30	" "
286	" D. T.....	40	" "
287	Orphans of T. W.....	40	" Erie, 149.
288	Widow of J. W. McK....	20	" Burns, 153.
289	" R. B.....	20	" Irving, 154.
290	Brother E. J. H.	30	" Simpson, 157.
291	Widow of F. A. C.....	20	" "
292	" J. C.....	20	" Percy, 161.
293	" R. E.....	30	" "
294	" F. B.	30	" "
295	" T. A. DeW....	30	" Walsingham, 174.
296	" W. H. C.....	20	" Oriental, 181.
297	" J. E. D... ..	40	" "
298	" J. H.....	20	" Scotland, 193.
299	Bro. J. T.	40	" Petrolea, 194.
300	Widow of C. S. H.....	20	" St. Alban's, 200.
301	" W. K.	20	" "
302	" H. W.....	30	" Leeds, 201.
303	" G. S.....	30	" Evergreen, 209.
304	Bro. J. C. L.....	50	" Craig, 214.
305	Widow of R. A. H. . .	20	" Harris, 216.
306	Bro. J. C.....	30	" Credit, 219.
307	Widow of D. P.....	20	" Bernard, 225.
308	" A. B. S.....	40	" Ionic, 229.
309	" P. F. L. R....	20	" Beaver, 234.
310	Bro. W. N.	50	" Manitoba, 236.
311	Widow of J. K.....	30	" King Hiram. 37.

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.
312	Widow of P. S. McK...	\$20	W.M. King Hiram, 37.
313	" T. F.	40	" Havelock, 238.
314	Orphans of J. F. B.	40	" Tweed, 239.
315	Widow of R. A. F.	20	" Quinte, 241.
316	" A. K.	40	" Thistle, 250.
317	" W. P.	30	" Sydenham, 255.
318	" R. C.	20	" Harriston, 262.
319	" J. A.	20	" "
320	" J. A. B.	20	" Northern Light, 266
321	" McK. C.	30	" Cedar, 270.
322	" F. N.	40	" "
323	Bro. W. H.	50	" "
324	Widow of H. M.	20	" Wellington, 271.
325	" A. T.	40	" Seymour, 272.
326	Bro. T. G.	40	" Mystic, 278.
327	" J. H.	20	" New Hope, 279.
328	" S. W.	40	" "
329	" C. R.	40	" Lorne, 282.
330	" J. McR.	20	" "
331	Widow of P. S.	20	" "
332	Brother H. M.	30	" Doric, 289.
333	" W. W.	40	" Blyth, 303.
334	Widow of A. B.	30	" Minerva, 304.
335	" J. S.	40	" Durham, 306.
336	" J. J. E.	30	" Morning Star, 309.
337	Brother J. P.	50	" "
338	Widow of R. F. M.	20	" Pnyx, 312.
339	" J. M.	20	" Blair, 314.
340	" D. J. B.	40	" "
341	" E. E. S.	20	" Hiram, 319.
342	" J. A.	40	" Walker, 321.
343	" A. F.	20	" Alvinston, 323.
344	" J. McT.	20	" "
345	Wallace, orph. of J. H. D.	20	" King Solomon, 329.
346	Widow of F. J. H. H.	40	" Occident, 346.
347	" H. P. B.	30	" "
348	" A. G.	30	" Mercer, 347.

No.	To Whom Granted.	Amount.	Through Whom Payable.
349	Widow of R. V.	\$20	W.M. Brock, 354.
350	" R. G.	20	" Maple Leaf, 362.
351	" J. W.	20	" Crystal Fountain, 389
352	" J. H.	30	" Leopold, 397.
353	" W. S.	40	" Oakville, 400.
354	" C. W. P.	40	" "
355	" H. L. T.	30	Bro. Robert Armour.
356	Eliza M. C., dau. of C. C.	30	M.W. Bro. Otto Klotz.
357	Widow of A. B.	40	" A. A. Stevenson.

The following returns have been received from the Local Boards of Relief as at 31st May, 1887 :

TORONTO.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance on hand 31st May, 1886 \$361 51	Grants from Grand Lodge to 25 Pensioners \$620 00
Direct Grant from Grand Lodge 500 00	Local Relief 212 00
Special Grants from Grand Lodge to 25 Pensioners. 630 00	Transient Relief..... 146 70
Grants from 10 Lodges, viz.: Nos. 16, 22, 25, 65, 75, 86, 218, 316, 326, 367 847 00	Funeral expenses 40 00
Other Sources..... 151 80	Incidentals..... 49 00
	1 Order, <i>re</i> Fisher, re- turned 10 00
	Other Expenses 263 75
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	Total Expenditure ... 1,342 18
	Balance on hand..... 1,148 13
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\$2,490 31	\$2,490 31

HAMILTON.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance on hand 31st May, 1886..... \$ 24 18	Grants from Grand Lodge to 32 Pensioners..... \$830 00
Direct Grant from Grand Lodge 150 00	Local Relief 168 00
Special Grants from Grand Lodge to 33 Pensioners. 850 00	Transient Relief 80 45
Grants from 3 Lodges, viz.: Nos. 6, 27, 61.... 153 75	Funeral Expenses..... 46 57
Other Sources..... 287 15	Orders, "Andrews," re- turned..... 20 00
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	Total Expenditure.... 1,145 02
	Balance on hand.... 320 06
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\$1,465 08	\$1,465 08

LONDON.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 31st May,	
1886	\$114 94
Direct Grant from Grand	
Lodge	70 00
Special Grants from Grand	
Lodge to 31 Pensioners.	790 00
Grants from 8 Lodges,	
viz.: Nos. 20, 42, 64,	
195, 209a, 330, 378, 380.	120 95
Other Sources.....	260 90
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	\$1,356 79

EXPENDITURE.

Grants from Grand Lodge	
to 31 Pensioners	\$790 00
Local Relief	312 00
Transient Relief.....	137 90
Incidentals.....	12 33
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Total Expenditure....	1,252 23
Balance on hand	104 56
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	\$1,356 79

OTTAWA.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 31st May,	
1886	\$ 81 89
Direct Grant from Grand	
Lodge	30 00
Special Grants from Grand	
Lodge to 12 Pensioners.	360 00
Grants from 1 Lodge, viz.:	
No. 52.....	16 50
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	\$488 39

EXPENDITURE.

Grants from Grand Lodge	
to 12 Pensioners	\$360 00
Local Relief	30 00
Transient Relief	40 00
Incidentals.....	5 00
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Total Expenditure	435 00
Balance on hand.....	53 39
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	\$488 39

KINGSTON.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 31st May,	
1886.....	\$ 9 19
Direct Grant from Grand	
Lodge.....	50 00
Special Grants from Grand	
Lodge to 16 Pensioners.	470 00
Grants from 2 Lodges,	
viz.: Nos. 3, 92.....	80 00
Other Sources	118 00
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	\$727 19

EXPENDITURE.

Grants from Grand Lodge	
to 16 Pensioners.....	\$470 00
Local Relief.....	171 00
Transient Relief	35 00
Funeral Expenses.....	40 00
Incidentals	71
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Total Expenditure	716 71
Balance on hand	10 48
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	\$727 19

PETERBOROUGH.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 31st May,	
1886.....	\$ 3 64
Direct Grant from Grand	
Lodge.....	20 00

EXPENDITURE.

Grants from Grand Lodge	
to 7 Pensioners.....	\$230 00
Local Relief....	84 88
Transient Relief.....	15 70

Special Grant from Grand		Funeral Expenses.....	\$33 00
Lodge to 7 Pensioners.	\$230 00	Incidentals.....	29 85
Grants from 2 Lodges, viz.:			
Nos. 101, 155.....	144 00	Total Expenditure....	393 43
		Balance on hand.....	4 21
	<u>\$397 64</u>		<u>\$397 64</u>

GUELPH.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Balance on hand 31st May,		Grants from Grand Lodge	
1886.....	\$ 2 39	to 4 Pensioners.....	\$120 00
Direct Grant from Grand		Local Relief	36 00
Lodge.....	10 00	Incidentals	25
Special Grants from Grand			
Lodge to 4 Pensioners..	120 00	Total Expenditure....	156 25
Grant from 1 Lodge, viz.:		Balance on hand.....	1 14
No. 258.....	25 00		
	<u>\$157 39</u>		<u>\$157 39</u>

STRATFORD.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Balance on hand 31st May,		Grant from Grand Lodge	
1886.....	\$ 52 48	to 1 Pensioner.....	\$ 20 00
Special Grant from Grand		Local Relief.....	83 20
Lodge to 1 Pensioner..	20 00	Transient Relief.....	5 05
Grants from 3 Lodges, viz.:			
Nos. 121, 144, 332..	57 30	Total Expenditure ...	108 25
		Balance on hand ...	21 00
	<u>\$129 78</u>		<u>\$129 78</u>

ST. THOMAS.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Balance on hand 31st May,		Grant from Grand Lodge	
1886....	\$ 19 53	to three Pensioners....	\$ 80 00
Special Grants from Grand		Local Relief.....	10 05
Lodge to 3 Pensioners..	80 00	Transient Relief.....	8 65
		Incidentals.....	00 20
		Total Expenditure....	98 90
		Balance on hand.....	00 63
	<u>\$ 99 53</u>		<u>\$ 99 53</u>

CHATHAM.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance on hand 31st May, 1886..... \$ 21 35	Transient Relief \$ 40 90
Direct Grant from Grand Lodge..... 40 00	Funeral Expenses..... 45 50
Grant from 1 Lodge, viz.: No. 46..... 45 50	
	Total Expenditure.... 86 40
	Balance on hand..... 20 45
<u>\$106 85</u>	<u>\$106 85</u>

GALT.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance on hand 31st May, 1886..... \$ 31 35	Grants from Grand Lodge to 3 Pensioners. \$ 90 00
Special Grants from Grand Lodge to 3 Pensioners. 90 00	Transient Relief..... 10 25
	Total Expenditure.... 100 25
	Balance on hand..... 21 10
<u>\$121 35</u>	<u>\$121 35</u>

STRATHROY.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance on hand 31st May, 1886..... \$ 10 13	Grants from Grand Lodge to 10 Pensioners..... \$230 00
Special Grants from Grand Lodge to 10 Pensioners. 230 00	
	Total Expenditure.... 230 00
	Balance on hand..... 10 13
<u>\$240 13</u>	<u>\$240 13</u>

GODERICH.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Special Grants from Grand Lodge to 8 Pensioners.. \$250 00	Grants from Grand Lodge to 8 Pensioners..... \$250 00
Grant from 1 Lodge, viz.: No. 33..... 195 80	Local Relief. 158 00
	Transient Relief..... 1 00
	Funeral Expenses..... 36 80
	Total Expenditure.... \$445 80
<u>\$445 80</u>	

WINDSOR.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance on hand 31st May, 1886 \$ 16 50	Local Relief..... \$ 10 00
Direct Grant from Grand Lodge..... 40 00	Transient Relief..... 20 50
	Total Expenditure.... 30 50
	Balance on hand..... 26 00
<u>\$ 56 50</u>	<u>\$ 56 50</u>

WOODSTOCK.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 31st	
May, 1886	\$ 4 80
Direct Grant from Grand	
Lodge	10 00
Special Grants from Grand	
Lodge to 6 Pensioners.	200 00
Grant from 2 Lodges,	
viz. : No. 43, 76.....	174 60
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	\$389 40

EXPENDITURE.

Grants from Grand Lodge	
to 6 Pensioners.....	\$200 00
Local Relief.....	30 50
Transient Relief.....	3 00
Funeral Expenses.....	154 10
Incidentals.....	21
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Total Expenditure....	\$387 81
Balance on hand.....	1 59
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	\$389 40

BARRIE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 31st	
May, 1886.....	\$ 13 35
Special Grants from Grand	
Lodge to 3 Pensioners..	110 00
Grant from 1 Lodge, viz.:	
No. 230.....	41 32
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	\$164 67

EXPENDITURE.

Grants from Grand Lodge	
to 3 Pensioners.....	\$110 00
Funeral Expenses.....	41 32
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Total Expenditure....	\$151 32
Balance on hand.....	13 35
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	\$164 67

BROCKVILLE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 31st	
May, 1886.....	\$ 66 90
Direct Grant from Grand	
Lodge	30 00
Special Grants from Grand	
Lodge to 2 Pensioners.	50 00
Grants from 2 Lodges,	
viz. : Nos. 5, 368.....	28 00
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	\$174 90

EXPENDITURE.

Grants from Grand Lodge	
to 2 Pensioners.....	\$ 50 00
Local Relief.....	30 00
Transient Relief.....	10 35
Incidentals	90
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Total Expenditure....	\$ 91 25
Balance on hand.....	83 65
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	\$174 90

OWEN SOUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand 31st	
May, 1886.....	\$24 20
Direct Grant from Grand	
Lodge.....	20 00
Special Grants from Grand	
Lodge to 2 Pensioners.	50 00
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	\$94 20

EXPENDITURE.

Grants from Grand Lodge	
to 2 Pensioners.....	\$50 00
Local Relief.....	10 00
Transient Relief.....	10 75
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Total Expenditure....	\$70 75
Balance on hand.....	23 45
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	\$94 20

The Lodges which, by their "return" of grants made by Grand Lodge and made payable through the Master of each Lodge, show that they have raised money by local contribution, and expended the same for benevolent purposes, are the following, viz.:—No. 9, \$15.50; No. 18, \$64.00; No. 26, \$54.25; No. 30, \$54.50; No. 31, \$22.38; No. 32, \$11.00; No. 81, \$6.00; No. 91, \$13.89; No. 93, \$5.00; No. 97, \$40.00; No. 100, \$21.39; No. 103, \$45.25; No. 104, \$38.67; No. 123, \$51.00; No. 126, \$20.00; No. 131, \$23.00; No. 139, \$49.00; No. 146, \$15.00; No. 183, \$25.00; No. 219, \$50.00; No. 304, \$22.00; No. 306, \$14.00; No. 314, \$17.00; No. 369, \$120.79; No. 347, \$40.00; No. 400, \$5.00.

The Lodges which, by their "returns" only show the monies received from Grand Lodge for special grants and paid over to the parties to whom such grants were made, but do not show that any money was raised or expended by such Lodges for benevolent purposes, are the following, viz.:—Nos. 2, 14, 24, 37, 54, 55, 73, 77, 78, 106, 109, 115, 116, 129, 135, 174, 181, 200, 209, 216, 229, 234, 236, 255, 262, 271, 279, 282, 319, 321, 323. The Lodges in default of making "returns" as required by Grand Lodge Rule are the following, viz.:—Returns due for grants made in 1879, No. 15, \$20.00. For grants made in 1880, No. 94, \$40.00; No. 353, \$30.00. For grants made in 1881, No. 179, \$40.00; No. 312, \$80.00. For grants made in 1882, No. 159, \$30.00; No. 217, \$30.00; No. 289, \$30.00. For grants made in 1883, No. 39, \$20.00; No. 210, \$50.00; No. 284, \$40.00. For grants made in 1884, No. 82, \$30.00; No. 125, \$90.00; No. 168, \$20.00; No. 196, \$20.00; No. 256, \$50.00. For grants made in 1885, No. 10, \$50.00; No. 54, \$60.00; No. 74, \$30.00; No. 80, \$70.00; No. 140, \$30.00; No. 165, \$30.00; No. 189, \$50.00; No. 193, \$20.00; No. 362, \$20.00. For grants made in 1886, No. 29, \$20.00; No. 34, \$50.00; No. 36, \$20.00; No. 69, \$40.00; No. 79, \$40.00; No. 80, \$20.00; No. 89, \$20.00; No. 99, \$70.00; No. 110, \$70.00; No. 113, \$100.00; No. 119, \$20.00; No. 121, \$80.00; No. 147, \$100.00; No. 154, \$20.00; No. 157, \$50.00; No. 161, \$50.00; No. 171,

\$60.00 ; No. 207, \$30.00 ; No. 215, \$40.00 ; No. 225, \$20.00 ; No. 235, \$20.00 ; No. 239, \$40.00 ; No. 241, \$50.00 ; No. 261, \$50.00 ; No. 263, \$40.00 ; No. 281, \$20.00 ; No. 286, \$40.00 ; No. 307, \$20.00 ; No. 309, \$80.00 ; No. 311, \$40.00 ; No. 346, \$70.00 ; No. 388, \$30.00 ; No. 397, \$30.00.

Fraternally submitted.

OTTO KLOTZ,

Chairman Sub-Committee.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, and

Resolved,—That the Report of the Board on Benevolence be received and (subsequently) adopted.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

M. W. Bro. Klotz, gave notice that on to-morrow he would move that the sum of \$5,000 be taken from the General Funds of Grand Lodge and placed to the credit of the Benevolent Fund—current account.

REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY.

R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem on behalf of the Board, presented and read the following

REPORT :

The Board have pleasure in reporting that even more than ordinary care and attention to the interests of Masonry have characterized the District Deputy Grand Masters, whose Reports exhibit a marked progress in the condition of the Craft throughout the jurisdiction.

The suggestions made last Communication with the view of improving these Reports have, as a rule, been carried out, and this year all of them evince care and zeal and an earnest desire to place before Grand Lodge, in a clear and comprehensive manner, the true condition of the Lodges in the respective Districts. While the Board cannot but admire the thorough and exhaustive Reports, treating of almost every conceivable subject, even to matters so unimportant as the state of the weather during each visitation, they submit that these Reports could be made very much shorter, and still contain all necessary statistics and information. The adoption

of a tabular statement similar to that appended to the Report of the District Deputy Grand Master of the 5th Masonic District would furnish incalculable assistance to the Board, enabling them almost at a glance to observe the progress or retrogression of the various Lodges. The remainder of the Report could then be devolved to matters not covered by the statistical statement. Matters of no interest to the Craft in general, such as the lists of brethren accompanying the District Deputies during their official visitations, might with advantage be omitted from these Reports, acknowledgment being more appropriately made by letter or personal expression of thanks.

The Board are pleased to learn that the Re-distribution of Districts has been attended by the most beneficial and satisfactory results, and has enabled the District Deputy Grand Masters to perform the several duties required of them with greater ease and facility; and that while a feeling may have existed and doubtless did exist in the minds of several brethren that the re-distribution was not necessary, or that it might prove unsatisfactory by the breaking up of old ties and associations; that all such feelings are being gradually allayed, and that the spirit of true freemasonry prevails in this respect throughout the jurisdiction.

Lodges of Instruction for Districts, or sections of Districts—twenty in all—have been held. Seven of these were called in one District. The marked success which attended these particular meetings induces the Board to suggest that this important factor in the successful and uniform working of the Lodges should receive the careful consideration of District Deputy Grand Masters. The zeal of the D. D. G. M. of the 11th Masonic District in this connection might, with advantage, be emulated by those who have not found it convenient to hold during the year *even one* general Lodge of Instruction. It is, however, gratifying to find that all availed themselves of the opportunity, during their official visitations, to add to their inspection, instruction. Some of them considered this mode more effectual and better calculated to accomplish the desired end, than by holding General Lodges of Instruction. While

approving the laudable practice of using official visits for instruction in work, etc., the Board recommend that General Lodges of Instruction be held in each District at least once in every year.

The Warrants of several of the older Lodges are reported as being without numbers, while others are said to bear numbers not corresponding with those on the Register of Grand Lodge. The board recommend that such Warrants be returned to Grand Lodge, to have engrossed thereon the proper number, and that the alteration or addition be initialed by the Grand Secretary and returned without cost to the Lodge.

The Board suggest, that in cases where Lodges are in a dormant condition, the D. D. G. M. for the District should visit the neighborhood, and if possible, discover the cause of the inertness. It sometimes happens that local differences produce trouble in Lodges, and that the individual members are not so much to blame as those who should be "Rulers in the Craft;" when in such cases the brethren are made to understand their privileges, the difficulty is frequently removable.

The Board regret to learn that several of the installed officers of Lodges have been found unable to perform the esoteric work of the Lodge, but are pleased to know that generally it is creditably and ably done. The Board trust that in future more care will be observed by installing officers satisfying themselves that none but duly qualified officers are permitted to occupy the chairs.

The Board are gratified to learn that the suggestions made from time to time have been acted upon, and that the Lodges in some of the Districts have paid the expenses of the District Deputy Grand Masters, and trust, without future reference, all Lodges will do their duty in this respect.

The D. D. G. Ms. report as a rule the payment of dues is satisfactory. In some instances dues have been outstanding too long, and the Board are of the opinion that if the By-Laws of Lodges were more strictly enforced, and members who are able and unwilling to pay suspended, the Craft would be much benefited. If members are unable to pay, their dues should be at once remitted.

Notwithstanding some matters referred to were of an unsatisfactory nature, the state of the Craft is very gratifying, and Grand Lodge may well be congratulated on the condition of Masonry throughout the jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted.

HUGH MURRAY,

Acting-Chairman of Sub-Committee.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, and

Resolved,—That the Report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry be received and—subsequently—adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON JURISPRUDENCE.

R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, on behalf of the Board, presented and read the following

REPORT :

The Board of General Purposes beg leave to present the following Report on Jurisprudence :

1. A Fellowcraft of a Lodge in Quebec being within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada and likely to remain there for some months. Can a Lodge in our jurisdiction, at the request of his Lodge, confer on him the third degree?

Intercourse between subordinate Lodges of different jurisdictions should be through the Grand Officers of their respective Grand Lodges. Therefore, the request of the Lodge should be approved of by the Grand Master of its Grand Lodge and assented to by the Grand Master of our Grand Lodge.

2. When any of the officers of a Lodge have not been elected on the day appointed by the By-Laws, a dispensation from the Grand Master is required to hold an emergency for the election. A D. D. G. M. cannot give a dispensation for election or installation.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

HENRY MACPHERSON,

Chairman Sub-Committee.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by R. W. Bro. Henry Macpherson, and

Resolved,—That the Report of the Board on Jurisprudence be received and adopted.

REPORT ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, on behalf of the Board, presented and read the following

REPORT :

The Board of General Purposes have had before them the following cases of grievances and appeals, all of which have been considered, and the conclusions arrived at are embodied in the report in detail upon each case as follows :—

In the matter of
STIRLING LODGE, No. 69,
G. R. C.
vs.
JOHN McCaw, Sr.

The Defendant is charged with adultery. He was tried by the Lodge and found guilty and suspended, and

recommendation made that he be expelled. In this finding the Board concur, and they recommend that he be summoned to show cause, at next meeting of Grand Lodge, why he should not be expelled from the Craft.

LEBANON LODGE, No. 139
vs.
ROBERT GOTT.

The Defendant is charged with defrauding the Lodge of Funds. He was tried by the

Lodge and found guilty, was suspended, and a recommendation made that he be expelled. He was summoned to show cause, at this meeting of Grand Lodge, why he should not be expelled. He failed to attend or show any sufficient defence, and the Board recommend him for indefinite suspension or until restitution is made.

 EUCLID LODGE 366

vs.

 BRO. J. T. ACKROYD.

 } Charged with Bigamy. See
 } G. L. Proceedings, 1886, page
 } 133. He was summoned to

shew cause at this Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled from the Craft. He has not appeared nor offered any defence. The Board recommend that he be expelled from the Craft.

 HARRISON LODGE 262

vs.

 BRO. JAMES BROWN.

 } This brother was charged
 } with Felony. See G. L. Pro-
 } ceedings, 1886, page 134.

He was summoned to show cause at this Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled. He failed to appear and offered no defence. The Board recommend that he be expelled from the Craft.

 W. BRO. MCGUIRE

vs.

 W. BRO. MIDDLEDITCH,
 of Lodge No. 34.

 } Charged with Assault. See
 } G. L. Proceedings, 1886, page
 } 132, where they referred it to
 } the D. D. G. M. for further

investigation and such action as he might deem necessary or advisable. The D. D. G. M. ordered a new trial, which has not yet taken place. The Board recommend that the matter be allowed to stand, pending a new trial.

 W. BRO. WM. EYRE

vs.

 R. W. BRO. PRESTON,
 W. M. of Lodge 157.

 } Improperly initiating a can-
 } didate residing beyond his
 } jurisdiction. See G. L. Pro-
 } ceedings, 1886, page 137,

where the matter was referred to the D. D. G. M. of 15th

District to investigate and report. The D. D. G. M. has made his report, and the Board find there was an infringement by R. W. Bro. Preston on the jurisdiction of Harmony Lodge, No. 370, and that what he had done was done unintentionally, and recommend that the charge be dismissed upon Simpson Lodge remitting to Harmony Lodge the initiation fee less the G. L. fee for registration.

STEVENSON LODGE, 218

vs.

BRO. W. F. CLARKE,
Late Secretary of Lodge 218.

} Charged with appropriating to his own use the funds of the Lodge whilst Secretary.

He was tried by the Lodge and found guilty, was suspended, and recommendation made to Grand Lodge for expulsion. In this finding the Board concur, and we recommend that he be summoned to show cause at the next meeting of Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled.

BRO. W. B. BISHOP

vs.

R. W. BRO. GUNN
AND
W. BRO. IRWIN,
Of Doric Lodge, 382.

} Using improper and intemperate language. (See G. L. Proceedings, 1886, page 135, where the matter was dis-

missed as against R. W. Bro. Gunn, and that the D. D. G. M. report upon the charges against Bro. Irwin.) The D. D. G. M. reported the circumstances, and that Bro. Irwin admitted the charge, but pleaded justification. The Board recommend that W. Bro. Irwin be censured for language used.

BRO. J. H. MCLELLAN

vs.

ST. PAUL'S LODGE, 107.

} Refusal to grant Dimit. The Board find that a Dimit was ordered to be granted in

1883, but from the evidence adduced we cannot find that a

certificate was actually granted and given him. The Board recommend that the Lodge be instructed to give Bro. McLellan a certificate that he was dimitted on the date of the ordering of the same.

BRO. JOHN McDONALD

vs.

BRO. J. J. McMURCHY,
W. M.-elect of Lodge 136,
and S. WARDEN of same
Lodge.

Illegal elections, on the ground that they were not held in accordance with the By-Laws of the Lodge.

Having before us the letter of the W. Master-elect that he does not intend to present himself for installation, and the D. D. G. M. having reported that at the election of the W. M. and S. W. irregularities occurred in violation of the By-Laws of the Lodge, we consider the elections irregular, and recommend that new elections to those offices be ordered.

BRO. MINISTER

vs.

W. BRO. LANGTON, V. W.

BRO. HAMBLY,

and

BRO. W. PEARSON,

of

King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22.

False declaration of the state of the Ballot upon the election of four candidates. See Grand Lodge Proceedings, 1886—page 133. There the Board reported that the

provisions of Section 138 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge, are so stringent as to preclude enquiry into the irregularities alleged. Before the motion for the adoption of this report, it was moved in amendment, and carried, that the report be referred back to the Board with instructions to have the said complaint fully investigated, and that the witnesses in the case in giving their evidence be permitted to disclose how they voted on the petitions. The Grand Master appointed R. W.

Bro. Walkem, R. W. Bro. Hegler and R. W. Bro. Gibson a Commission to carry out the instructions of Grand Lodge contained in the above mentioned amendment. The Commission proceeded in accordance with their instructions on 3rd November, 1886, at Masonic Hall, Toronto, when the brethren complained against protested against the proceedings as informal and unconstitutional. The Commission proceeded to investigate and took a very large amount of evidence on behalf of the Complainant, which has been before the Board and fully considered. The Defendants declined to give any evidence or make any statements other than their protests, though they had the opportunity to do so given them. The Board recommend that the whole matter be tried by the Board and that the Defendants be summoned to appear before the Board or any Commission they may appoint for purpose of such trial, at such time and place as they may appoint.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

L. H. HENDERSON,
Chairman Sub-Committee.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by R. W. Bro. L. H. Henderson, and

Resolved,—That the Report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals be received and (subsequently) adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TESTIMONIAL.

R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, on behalf of the Committee appointed at the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge to procure and present a testimonial to M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, presented and read the following

REPORT :

The Committee appointed by Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication to "select and present to M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, Past Grand Master, a suitable testimonial, as a token of the respect and esteem in which he is held by the members of Grand Lodge, and of the able manner in which he presided over the Craft," respectfully report that the wishes of Grand Lodge have been complied with by the procuring of

a suitable testimonial and presenting the same to M. W. Bro. Murray on the 27th May last, in the presence of a large gathering of the Craft, at the City of Hamilton, under the auspices and at a regular meeting of Acacia Lodge, No. 61, the mother Lodge of the worthy and illustrious recipient. The presentation was accompanied by the following address, suitably engrossed :

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA, ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
TO MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER HUGH MURRAY, PAST
GRAND MASTER :

DEAR SIR AND MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER,—The names of the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Canada are household words throughout our jurisdiction, and they have been and are justly respected and esteemed for their many excellencies, both of head and heart, and it must be gratifying to you, Most Worshipful Sir, to realize the fact that your own name is added to the list, and that you are held “second to none” of your illustrious predecessors in the love and esteem of your brethren. The indomitable zeal, untiring energy and devotion, sound judgment, just administration and invariable courtesy which characterized your every act during the two years of your “supreme command,” not only added to the prestige of our Grand Lodge, but pointed you out as a deserving and worthy recipient of the unbounded personal love and regard of the whole Craft. To express these feelings in some tangible manner, it was unanimously ordered by Grand Lodge, upon your retirement from office last July, that a committee be appointed to “select and present” to you a suitable testimonial as a token of the respect and esteem in which you are held, and as a memorial of the appreciation by the Craft of the ability which distinguished your career as Grand Master. It is with unfeigned pleasure we now endeavor to carry out the wishes and views of the brethren, and in name and on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Canada offer for your acceptance this jewel, and this regalia of a Past Grand Master, and to add the unqualified assurance, which doubtless will be far more pleasing and more gratifying to you than either jewel or regalia, that in the estimation of the fraternity you did (to quote the words of your own able address to Grand Lodge at its last Communication) “in all things conscientiously discharge the important duties of chief ruler in the Craft and Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge,” and that you are “secure in the affection and esteem of the brethren.” That you may be long spared to aid and assist us by your sage counsel and matured experience, and that the G. A. O. T. U. may bless you in your “basket and your store,” is but the echo of the sentiments and feelings of all your brethren in this jurisdiction.

Yours fraternally.

E. MITCHELL,	} Committee.
J. J. MASON,	
GAVIN STEWART,	

To which M. W. Bro. Murray replied as under :—

BRETHREN,—With all my heart I thank you, the Committee appointed to select and present to me a testimonial from the Grand Lodge, for the choice you have made. The regalia of a Past Grand Master with which you have clothed me, and the jewel with which you have invested me, are appropriate and most acceptable gifts—gifts which will be worn by me with pride, not on account of the rank which they represent, but because they are the evidence of the appreciation of the Grand Lodge, and because of the friendly words with which the presentation is accompanied. On proper occasions I will wear them, and will endeavor to wear them worthily, in imitation of the illustrious brethren who have preceded me in the office of Grand Master, and I will be reminded by these emblems of my duties to the Craft. The sentiments contained in the address, which you have couched in such kindly language, and had so tastefully engrossed in this handsome volume, will be ever with me, engraved on my heart ; and will be to me not a description of the man you have found me, but rather of the ideal Mason it is your desire I should be, and which, by the help of the Grand Architect of the universe, I will endeavor to become. This volume will be highly prized by my wife and children, being to them the estimate in which their husband and father is held in the esteem of his brethren. From the remarks which have been made, as well as from the address, I recognize the reviewers of my Masonic career as most friendly critics, otherwise much of the praise which has been so lavishly bestowed would have been more sparingly dispensed, but I gratefully accept the assurances that my Masonic conduct and my official acts are approved. An eminent Masonic writer has said that in youth we think life is much too long for that which we have to learn and do, but when in after years we halt and look back along the way we have come and balance our accounts with time and opportunity, we find that we have made life much too short, and thrown away a large portion of our time. Halting here, I feel that in comparison with my opportunities I have done my little for Freemasonry, and that it is true only, in a very limited sense, that I have been zealous and devoted. Looking back, I see much to regret, many opportunities for doing good lost, much time which should have been usefully employed wasted. Still it is gratifying, having within me a consciousness of an honest intention to perform my duties, to receive evidence that my imperfections have been overlooked, that the broad mantle of Masonic charity has been thrown over my shortcomings, and that my brethren have for me words of commendation. It is also gratifying to me that the presentation is made in my mother Lodge, and that the Committee of Grand Lodge are my oldest and truest friends. You, Brother Mitchell, were the Master of this Lodge at the time of my admission into the Order, and it was to you I was apprenticed. It was from you I received instruction, encouragement, counsel. It was you who afterwards became my model Mason, my model Master. It is you who

have come to-night, at much risk, from a sick bed, to add the capsheaf to your work, and to honor your pupil. You, Brother Mason, entering the fraternity at the same time with myself, served your Lodge as Secretary, Warden and Master during the same years I filled similar offices in this Lodge. At that time a strong friendship was formed, which has continued unbroken, and I am sure was never stronger than during the period we were more intimately associated as Grand Secretary and Grand Master. And you, Brother Stewart, who perhaps more than any other one have been my Masonic companion, my most trusted friend, for many years I have plodded on with you, side by side, through different degrees and rites, during labor and refreshment, bound to you by many ties; but by none stronger than my devotion to you for your honest worth. When I look around and see this vast gathering of Craftsmen assembled to do honor to me, and remember that I am not only the recipient of a handsome testimonial, but am also the honored guest of Acacia Lodge, I am overwhelmed by the kindness and consideration of my brethren. It seems to me that I am continuously receiving favors and honors. I cast my eyes back three years to the time when, by the almost unanimous vote of the brethren of this vast jurisdiction, I was elected to fill the highest office. I can never forget the welcome home, nor the meeting held shortly after, when the members of all the city Lodges assembled to rejoice with my mother Lodge that her son had been so honored, and Hamilton for the first time in the history of Masonry, had had one of its citizens elected Grand Master Mason. At that time a congratulatory address was presented and a banquet was provided, and now after occupying the Grand East for two terms, on retiring from office, my mother Lodge again at much expense, provides a grand entertainment, and places me under yet another obligation. Brethren, I am deeply grateful, not only to you, but also to all the brethren present. Many of you. Past Grand Master Klotz and others, have come considerable distances, and at personal inconvenience and expense, and I will only add that it will be the endeavor of my whole life to so live and act as to continue to merit your good opinion.

Your Committee will only add that a more pleasing and gratifying privilege could not have been accorded to them, and that the assistance of, and cordial reception and entertainment by Acacia Lodge, was thoroughly and heartily appreciated by the members of your Committee.

Fraternally submitted.

E. MITCHELL,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
Chairman,		
J. J. MASON,		
GAVIN STEWART,		

It was moved by R. W. Bro. E. Mitchell, seconded by R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, and

Resolved,—That the Report on the presentation to M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray be received and adopted.

THE REVISED CONSTITUTION.

The consideration of the proposed new Book of Constitution, as printed in the proceedings of 1886—pages 149 to 202, was then proceeded with, clause by clause, resulting in its adoption with the exception of the following clauses which were amended, and now read as follows :—

3. The Grand Master or presiding officer, at the Annual Communication, shall appoint twelve scrutineers, not being Grand Lodge officers, or brethren nominated for Grand Lodge office, or members of the Board of General Purposes, whose duty it shall be to make a correct report to Grand Lodge through the brother first named, of the result of the ballot. They shall act in sections of threes, to whom shall be allotted separate parcels of ballots or balloting lists, as collected by the stewards ; and before entering upon the duties of their office, the scrutineers shall solemnly pledge themselves to perform the same truly and faithfully.

5. The following officers shall be elected, viz. :—By ballot of Grand Lodge—

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master.

The Right Worshipful the Deputy Grand Master.

By nomination to be handed to the Grand Secretary, and if more than one brother be nominated, then by ballot of Grand Lodge—

The Right Worshipful the Grand Senior Warden.

“ “ “ “ “ Junior Warden.

“ “ “ “ “ Chaplain.

“ “ “ “ “ Treasurer.

“ “ “ “ “ Registrar.

“ “ “ “ “ Secretary.

By an open vote of Grand Lodge—

The Grand Tyler.

By a majority of the Past Masters and Representatives of the warranted Lodges of the respective District, present at the Annual Communication, subject to the confirmation of the Grand Master—

The Right Worshipful the District Deputy Grand Masters.

6. The following officers shall be appointed by the Grand Master, viz. :—

The Very Worshipful Grand	Senior Deacon.
" " " "	Junior Deacon.
" " " "	Supt. of Works.
" " " "	Director of Ceremonies.
" " " Asst.	Secretary.
" " " "	Director of Ceremonies.
" " " "	Sword Bearer.
" " " "	Organist.
" " " Asst.	Organist.
" " " "	Pursuivant.
" " " twelve	Stewards.
" " " two	Standard Bearers.

9. The rank of officers and members of Grand Lodge shall be as follows :—

The Grand Master.

Past Grand Masters, according to seniority.

The Deputy Grand Master.

Past Deputy Grand Masters.

District Deputy Grand Master,	Erie	District, No.	1
" " " "	St. Clair	" "	2
" " " "	London	" "	3
" " " "	South Huron	" "	4
" " " "	North Huron	" "	5
" " " "	Wilson	" "	6
" " " "	Wellington	" "	7
" " " "	Hamilton	" "	8
" " " "	Georgian	" "	9
" " " "	Niagara	" "	10
" " " "	Toronto	" "	11
" " " "	Ontario	" "	12
" " " "	Prince Edward	" "	13
" " " "	Frontenac	" "	14
" " " "	St. Lawrence	" "	15
" " " "	Ottawa	" "	16
" " " "	Algoma	" "	17

Past District Deputy Grand Masters.

Grand Senior Warden.

Past Grand Senior Wardens.

Grand Junior Warden.

Past Grand Junior Wardens.

Grand Chaplain.

Past Grand Chaplains.

Grand Treasurer.

Past Grand Treasurers.

Grand Registrar.
 Past Grand Registrars.
 Grand Secretary.
 Past Grand Secretaries.
 Grand Senior Deacon.
 Past Grand Senior Deacons.
 Grand Junior Deacon.
 Past Grand Junior Deacons.
 Grand Superintendent of Works.
 Past Grand Superintendents of Works.
 Grand Director of Ceremonies.
 Past Grand Directors of Ceremonies.
 Assistant Grand Secretary.
 Past Assistant Grand Secretaries.
 Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies.
 Past Assistant Grand Directors of Ceremonies.
 Grand Sword Bearer.
 Past Grand Sword Bearers.
 Grand Organist.
 Past Grand Organists.
 Grand Pursuivants.
 Past Grand Pursuivants.
 Grand Stewards.
 Past Grand Stewards.
 Grand Standard Bearers.
 Past Grand Standard Bearers.

The Masters, Past Masters, and Senior and Junior Wardens of warranted lodges, in the order of the numbers of their respective lodge warrants.

13. The grand lodge may by a two-thirds vote constitute any brother of eminence and ability who has rendered service to the craft and who hails from a foreign jurisdiction, an honorary member of grand lodge, with such rank and distinction as it may deem appropriate, and may by a like vote, in recognition of eminence, ability and services rendered, confer upon any of its own members such rank and distinction as it may deem appropriate.

13. B. Any resident of the Province of Ontario, who during such residence has been installed into Masonry by any body beyond this jurisdiction without the permission of grand master, shall not be entitled to masonic privileges except upon such terms as shall be imposed by the grand master.

14. No member of the grand lodge shall attend therein without his proper jewel and clothing, nor wearing any jewel not recognized by the grand lodge.

17. The annual communication of the grand lodge shall be holden on the third Wednesday in July, at which the place of holding the next communication shall be decided. None but members shall be present at these communications without permission of the grand master. No visitor shall speak to any question unless requested to do so by the grand master, nor shall he on any occasion be permitted to vote.

24. E. Grand lodge books of account shall be closed on the thirty-first day of May in each year, and at the first meeting thereafter of the board of general purposes the accounts and balance sheet, together with a list of the contributions, a statement of funds in hand and of all property of grand lodge, shall be presented and audited ; the same shall be printed and transmitted to each lodge before the twenty-fourth day of June in each year.

24. F. This clause was struck out.

24. G. All moneys payable to grand lodge for fees, dues and interest, and from all other sources, shall be paid to the grand secretary, and by him entered in the cash book of grand lodge, and all sums so received by him shall be deposited by him in the bank with which grand lodge keeps its account, receiving therefor a deposit voucher in duplicate, one of which shall be retained by himself and the other shall be forwarded without delay to the grand treasurer.

24. H. This clause was struck out.

24. I. This clause was struck out.

24. L. This clause was struck out.

40. D. The grand master has authority to grant dispensations for the following purposes, viz.:

To authorize the requisite number of brethren to meet as a lodge until the next annual communication of grand lodge ; to authorize the grand secretary to issue a grand lodge certificate to a brother who has been admitted to a higher degree at a shorter interval than prescribed by the constitution ; to relieve a brother from masonic disability by reason of his being a member of a lodge which has been suspended ; to permit the "healing" of an irregularly made mason. The grand master has also authority to grant dispensations to any private lodge for any of the following purposes, viz :

To appear in public in masonic clothing ; to elect officers at a time other than that fixed by the by-laws ; to elect and install officers at a time other than that fixed by the by-laws ; to hold a lodge of instruction ; to confer a higher degree on a brother at a shorter interval than prescribed by the constitu-

tion ; to receive and act upon a petition for initiation from a person who resides outside of the jurisdiction of the lodge ; to initiate more than five candidates in one day ; to initiate a candidate who is under twenty-one years of age ; to initiate without fee a person proposed to act as a serving brother.

41. A. This clause was struck out.

43. The district deputy grand master for each district shall be elected by a majority of the past masters and representatives of the warranted lodges of such district at the annual communication of grand lodge, and if confirmed by the grand master he shall, if present, be regularly installed. He must be a past master, and a resident of the district for which he is elected. If a brother who is master of a lodge is elected as district deputy grand master, his election shall, *ipso facto*, operate to vacate his election as master, and a new election shall be held by the lodge.

45. B. It shall be the duty of the district deputy grand master to ascertain whether a lodge working under dispensation in his district, and seeking a warrant of constitution, has provided itself with suitable furniture and regalia.

46. The district deputy grand master, when satisfied that any brother has been unjustly or illegally suspended from any of his masonic functions or privileges by a private lodge within his district, may order him to be immediately restored, and may suspend the lodge or brother who shall refuse to comply with such order, and shall immediately report the circumstances to the grand master.

49. The district deputy grand master may summon any private Lodge or brother within his district to attend him, and to produce the warrant, books, papers and accounts of such lodge, or the certificate of such brother. If the summons be not complied with, nor a sufficient reason given for non-compliance, a peremptory summons shall be issued, and in case of contumacy, he may suspend the Lodge or brother, and he shall immediately report the circumstances to the grand master.

61. The grand registrar shall be elected and invested at the annual communication.

63. The grand master may, by a written document, direct the grand registrar to take charge of any district for which there is not a district deputy grand master ; and he shall thereby be empowered to perform all the functions of a district deputy grand master.

65. The grand secretary is to sign and certify all instruments from grand lodge under seal or otherwise ; to issue summonses

for all meetings of grand lodge, board of general purposes, and of any committee of which he shall be directed by the grand master or grand lodge, and to attend and take minutes of their proceedings; to receive the returns from the several private lodges, and to enter them in the books of grand lodge, and duly report the same at each annual communication of grand lodge; to transmit to all private lodges the proceedings of every communication or other meeting of grand lodge, and all such other papers and documents as may be ordered either by the grand master, by grand lodge or by the board of general purposes; to notify all private lodges annually of all expelled, suspended and restored members for the year; to furnish the district deputy grand masters and board of general purposes with all proper documents and information that they may require; to receive all petitions, memorials or other papers, and to lay them before the grand master or other proper authority; to attend the grand master or board of general purposes, and to take to him or them any books or papers he or they may direct; to conduct the correspondence of grand lodge; to receive, credit and record all moneys of grand lodge and pay over the same without delay to the grand treasurer by voucher as hereinbefore directed, and annually report the amount received, and generally to perform all other duties appertaining to his office. He shall give bonds in some guarantee company, to be approved by the board of general purposes, to the amount of five thousand dollars, for the faithful performance of his duties. The fee for such bonds shall be paid by grand lodge.

65 A. This clause was struck out.

66. This clause was struck out.

67. This clause was struck out.

68. The grand deacons, grand superintendent of works, director of ceremonies, assistant secretary, assistant director of ceremonies, sword bearer, organist, assistant organist, pursuivant, stewards and standard bearers, are to be appointed annually by the grand master on the day of his installation, or as soon as possible thereafter, and they are to attend all communications of grand lodge.

69. This clause was struck out.

70. The grand director of ceremonies, in addition to his other duties, has the care, during the session of grand lodge, of the regalia, clothing, insignia and jewels belonging to grand lodge.

71. The *Grand Pursuivant* shall preserve order in the porch at every meeting of grand lodge, and, with the assist-

ance of the brethren nominated for attendance there, see that none except those that are qualified and who are clothed in their proper clothing and jewels, and have signed their names to the accustomed papers, and are in all respects entitled to admission, be admitted

72. The *Grand Stewards* shall be annually appointed for the regulation of grand festivals under the direction of the grand master. They shall also assist in conducting the arrangements made for the communications of Grand Lodge; and they shall collect the ballots and balloting lists and deliver them to the scrutineers.

73. This clause was struck out.

74. This clause was struck out.

78. The board shall consist of the grand master, past grand master of the grand lodge of Canada, deputy grand master (who shall be *ex officio* president of the board), the district deputy grand master of each masonic district, the two grand wardens, and twenty other members, ten of who shall be appointed by the grand master and the remaining ten shall be elected by the grand lodge, the whole twenty to be selected from among the actual masters and past masters of the lodges. Members thus elected and appointed shall hold office for two years. Not more than two members of the same lodge can be appointed or elected for the same board; but this shall not disqualify any past master being a subscribing member and master of another lodge from being elected for and representing the lodge of which he is worshipful master. One-half of the members, both appointed and elected, who have served for two years, as hereinbefore provided, must go out of office at each annual communication. Retiring members are eligible for re-appointment or re-election.

89. The members of the board shall be in masonic clothing when they proceed to the investigation of any charge or complaint.

92. The board may summon the grand treasurer, grand registrar, grand secretary, or other officer or brother having possession of any books, papers, documents or accounts belonging to the grand lodge, to attend the board, and the board may give such directions as may be deemed necessary regarding them.

93. This clause was struck out.

97. On the day preceding the meeting of grand lodge, the board shall appoint three masters or past masters of warranted lodges as a committee on credentials, who shall attend within the porch of grand lodge at the annual communication for the

purpose of guarding, with the assistance of the grand pursuivant, against the admission of any but those who are qualified and properly clothed and are in all respects entitled to admission. The three brethren so appointed shall be assisted by three grand stewards of the year.

OF PRIVATE LODGES.

103. The officers of a warranted lodge are: The master, senior warden, junior warden, treasurer, secretary, senior deacon, junior deacon, inner guard, two stewards and the tyler; to which may be added a chaplain, a director of ceremonies and an organist; and they shall severally hold office until their successors respectively have been regularly elected or appointed and installed or invested in their stead.

104. Every warranted lodge shall annually elect its master, wardens, chaplain, treasurer and secretary by written ballot, and by an open vote its tyler and two auditors. At the next regular meeting of the lodge, following the election of the master, and after the minutes have been read, approved and the election confirmed, he shall be duly installed in the chair according to ancient usage. But if a lodge be desirous of investing its worshipful master with the privilege of appointing the wardens and secretary, it can do so by a special by-law made to that effect, which must be sanctioned by a two-thirds majority of the members present, at a meeting regularly convened for the consideration thereof.

104 A. The master, upon his installation, shall appoint the deacons, director of ceremonies, organist, inner guard and stewards, and also all standing committees for conducting the business of the lodge, except the auditors; and he shall invest, or cause to be invested, the elected and appointed officers. If a lodge be desirous of electing the senior and junior deacons and inner guard, it can do so by a special by-law made to that effect, which must be sanctioned by a two-thirds majority of the members present at a meeting convened for the consideration thereof. If a lodge be desirous of electing all of its officers, it can do so by a special by-law made to that effect, which must be sanctioned by a two-thirds majority of the members present, at a meeting convened for the consideration thereof.

115. No private lodge shall make a mason for a less consideration than twenty dollars, nor on any pretence remit or defer the payment of any part of this sum. This is not to extend to the making of a person who is to be a serving brother, who may be initiated without payment of any fee,

provided that a dispensation from the grand master or district deputy grand master be first obtained.

123. All private lodges are particularly bound to observe the same usages and customs ; every deviation, therefore, from the established mode of working, is highly improper, and cannot be justified or countenanced. In order to preserve this uniformity, and to cultivate a good understanding among free-masons, some members of every lodge should be deputed to visit the other lodges as often as may be convenient, and no other than the authorized work is allowed to be practiced or administered in any private lodge. No other work than the authorized work shall be allowed to be practiced or administered in any private lodge unless said lodge can shew, to the satisfaction of the most worshipful the grand master, that it is entitled to continue the work in any other form as a condition of its having submitted to the jurisdiction of this grand lodge.

142. C. This clause was made 143 A.

145. A. This clause was struck out.

145. B. This clause was struck out.

145. D. This clause was struck out.

152. The tyler is to see that every member or visitor has signed his name to the attendance book, and that he is properly clothed before entering the lodge.

157. No brother shall violate the secrecy of the ballot on candidates for initiation or membership, by stating how he voted or intended to vote, or by endeavoring to ascertain how a brother voted, or by revealing a brother's vote. Provided that, in cases of masonic trials where the charge laid involves such ballot, any brother shall be at liberty to disclose how he voted in that particular case.

157. C. Whenever a member of any private lodge shall resign, or whenever at a future time he may require it, he shall be furnished with a certificate of his standing ; and should he be indebted to the lodge, the certificate must state the fact. In case of loss of a certificate of standing, a duplicate thereof may be issued.

157. D. The certificate of standing must be produced, together with the application for membership, to the lodge of which the brother in whose favor the certificate is issued desires to become a joining member. Such certificate has to be filed with the archives of the lodge which admits the brother as such joining member.

157. E. A brother suspended by a private lodge must, in order to obtain his certificate of standing, apply to that lodge

for restoration, in the usual manner, as laid down in the regulations for the government of masonic trials.

158. B. This clause was struck out.

160. Any brother who may have rendered any service to the craft in general, or to any particular private lodge, may, by a three-fourths vote of the members present by a ballot of the lodge, be elected an honorary member of such lodge. The lodge must include honorary members in its return to grand lodge, and to pay to grand lodge similar dues for such honorary members as are payable for ordinary members.

164. A. When an applicant for initiation residing within this jurisdiction has his place of residence nearer to a lodge in another jurisdiction than to a private lodge within this jurisdiction, such nearer lodge may receive and act upon the petition of such applicant; provided, that the grand lodge in such sister jurisdiction will grant the like privilege to private lodges in this jurisdiction.

166. No person under the age of twenty-one shall be made a mason in any private lodge, unless by dispensation from the grand master, nor shall any dispensation suspend the operations of the law requiring seven days' notice, or committee of inquiry, or the ballot. Every candidate must be free-born, and his own master, and, at the time of his initiation, be known to be in reputable circumstances. He shall be a lover of the liberal arts and sciences, and have made some progress in one or the other of them; and he must, previous to his initiation, subscribe his name at full length and legibly to a declaration of the following import, viz.:

*To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of———Lodge,
No.——, on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the
Province of Ontario:*

I,———, of the———of———, in the County of———
and Province of Ontario, ——, aged —— years, being free by birth, and of
mature age, do declare that, unbiased by the improper solicitation of
friends, and uninfluenced by mercenary or other unworthy motives, I
freely and voluntarily offer myself a candidate for the mysteries of
masonry; that I am prompted by a favorable opinion conceived of the
institution, and a desire of knowledge; that I will cheerfully conform to
all the ancient usages and established customs of the order, and that I
have not been rejected by this or any other private lodge within twelve
months prior to the date of my present application.

Witness my hand this——day of———, A. L. 58—.

Recommended by

_____ } _____ (sig.)

166. B. This clause was struck out.

166. H. Before declaring the result of the ballot, the ballot-

box shall be placed on the altar for examination by any member of the lodge. The result of the ballot having been declared by the master, no further ballot upon the same subject is admissible.

170. B. This clause was struck out.

178 A. A brother residing in the Province of Ontario and not affiliated with some private lodge under the jurisdiction of grand lodge shall not be entitled to the benefit of the benevolent fund for himself or his family, nor be entitled to any masonic privileges whatever, except that he shall be permitted to visit any private lodge.

178. A. This clause was struck out.

178. B. This clause was struck out.

178. C. This clause was struck out.

178. D. This clause was struck out.

178. E. This clause was struck out.

178. F. This clause was struck out.

178. G. The following grand lodge certificates may be issued :—

To a brother upon being registered in the books of grand lodge as having been initiated, passed and raised in a private lodge.

To a brother who, either as an entered apprentice or as a fellow craft, hailing from a foreign jurisdiction, has become a joining member of a private lodge, and who therein has received the remaining degrees or degree.

To a member of a private lodge which has ceased to meet, so as to enable such members to affiliate with another private lodge ; such certificate to state the fact that he was such a member, and whether he has been registered, and whether his grand lodge dues have been paid.

To any past master under this grand lodge, who desires the same, and pays therefor one dollar into the funds of grand lodge.

178. H. All grand lodge certificates shall be issued by the grand Secretary with the seal of grand lodge attached, and shall be in such form as the board of general purposes may from time to time direct.

183. A. The following certificates may be issued by a private lodge :—

A certificate of standing of a brother who resigns his membership, such certificate is to state the fact whether the brother

is indebted to that lodge or not ; a duplicate of such certificate of standing in case the original has been lost.

To a brother in order to enable him to obtain a grand lodge certificate, in which case such certificate of a private lodge shall be specially addressed to the grand secretary.

Any certificate required by the laws of grand lodge or which may be called for by the board of general purposes.

189. The following shall be the fees payable to grand lodge :—

For granting a new warrant, thirty dollars.

For a dispensation for a new lodge, twenty dollars.

For a warrant of confirmation, ten dollars.

For a new warrant in case of loss by fire or otherwise, properly certified, ten dollars.

For a dispensation to initiate a candidate under twenty-one years of age, twenty dollars.

For a dispensation to confer any degree in less time than one month, twenty dollars.

For a dispensation authorizing a private lodge to receive and act upon a petition from a candidate for initiation, who resides outside the jurisdiction of that lodge, ten dollars, payable by the candidate.

For a dispensation for any public procession, one dollar.

For a grand lodge certificate, two dollars.

For a past master's certificate, one dollar.

For every person initiated in a lodge, one dollar registration fee.

For every entered apprentice or fellowcraft joining from without the jurisdiction of grand lodge, one dollar and fifty cents.

For every master mason joining from another private lodge within the jurisdiction of grand lodge, fifty cents.

For every master mason joining from without the jurisdiction of grand lodge, one dollar.

Every member of each private lodge shall pay towards the fund for grand lodge purposes fifty cents per annum.

191. The following masonic clothing and insignia shall be worn by the craft, and no brother shall, on any pretence, be admitted into grand lodge, or into any private lodge, without his proper clothing and insignia, and no honorary or other jewel or emblem shall be worn in grand lodge, or in any private lodge, which shall not appertain to or be consistent

with those degrees which are recognized and acknowledged by grand lodge.

APRONS.

Entered apprentice A plain white lamb-skin, from fourteen to sixteen inches wide, twelve to fourteen inches deep ; square at bottom, and without ornament ; white strings.

Fellow craft A plain white lamb-skin, similar to that of the entered apprentice, with the addition only of two sky-blue rosettes at the bottom.

Master mason The same with sky-blue lining and edging, one and a-half inches deep, and an additional rosette on the fall or flap, and silver tassels. No other color or ornament shall be allowed, except to officers and past officers of private lodges, who may have the emblems of their office in silver or sky-blue in the centre of the apron.

*The master and past
masters of private
lodges.*

To wear in lieu and in the place of the three rosettes on the master's apron, perpendicular lines upon horizontal lines, thereby forming three several sets of two right angles ; the length of the horizontal lines to be two inches and a-half each, and of the perpendicular lines, one inch ; these emblems to be ribbon, half an inch broad, and of the same color as the lining and edging of the apron, or of silver. If grand officer, similar emblems of garter-blue or gold.

*Grand stewards, present
and past*

Aprons of same dimensions, lined with crimson, edging of the same color, three and a-half inches, bound with silver and silver tassels.

*Other grand officers of
grand lodge, present
and past*

Aprons of same dimensions, lined with garter blue, edging of the same color, three and a-half inches, bound with

gold and gold tassels, with the emblems of their offices in gold or blue in the centre.

District deputy grand

masters Aprons to have the emblems of their office in gold, embroidered in the centre, and acacia and seven-eared wheat embroidered on the edging, one on each side.

Deputy grand master ... Apron to have the emblem of his office in gold embroidered in the centre, and the pomegranate and lotus alternately embroidered on edging.

Grand master Apron to be ornamented with the blazing sun embroidered in gold in the centre, on the edging the pomegranate and the lotus, with the seven-eared wheat at each corner, and also on the fall; all in gold embroidery; the fringe of gold bullion.

COLLARS.

Of private lodges To be light blue ribbons, four inches broad; if silver chain be used it must be placed over the light blue ribbon.

Of grand lodge To be of garter blue ribbon, four inches broad, and bound with gold lace; except

Grand stewards of the year, who have to wear collars of crimson, four inches broad, bound with silver lace.

All past grand officers ... except past grand masters (who are entitled to wear chains), to wear the collars of their late offices, but without the pendent jewel, a similar but smaller jewel in enamel being worn on the breast.

JEWELS.

The grand master ... The compasses extended to 45° , with the segment of a circle at the points, and a gold plate included, on which is to be represented an eye irradiated within a triangle also irradiated.

Past grand master.....A similar jewel, without the gold plate.

Deputy grand master...The compasses and square united, with a five-pointed star in the centre.

Past deputy grand master.The compasses and square only.

District deputy grand master.....The compasses and square united with a five-pointed star in the centre, the whole to be placed within a circle, on which the name of the district is to be engraved.

Past district deputy grand master.....The same, omitting the five-pointed star in the centre.

Grand senior warden..The level

Grand junior warden...The plumb.

Grand chaplainA book on a triangle.

Grand treasurerA chased key.

Grand registrar.....A scroll.

Grand secretary.....Cross pens, with a tie.

Grand deacons.....Dove and olive branch.

Grand superintendent of works.....A semi-circle protractor.

Grand director of ceremonies.....Cross rods.

Assistant ditto.....Cross rods.

Grand sword bearer...Cross swords.

Grand organist.....A lyre.

Grand pursuivant.....Arms of the grand lodge, with rod and sword crossed.

The jewels of the grand chaplain, treasurer, registrar, secretary, senior deacon, superintendent of works, director of ceremonies, sword bearer, organist, and pursuivant, are to be within a circle, with an embossed wreath, composed of a sprig of acacia, and an ear of corn; and of the grand junior deacon, assistant grand secretary, assistant grand director of ceremonies, and assistant grand organist, to be similar to those of their senior and superior officers, the wreath on the circle being omitted.

The jewel of a grand steward of the grand lodge is a cornucopia between the legs of a pair of compasses, extended upon an irradiated gold plate, within a circle, on which is en-

graven, "grand lodge of ancient, free and accepted Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario."

Grand tyler The sword in a circle, on which is engraven, "the grand lodge of Canada, grand tyler."

All the above jewels to be of gold or gilt.

Master of private lodges. The square.

Past masters. The square and the diagram of the 47th prob., 1st book Euclid, engraven on a silver plate pendent within it.

Senior warden. The level.

Junior warden. The plumb.

Chaplain A book on a triangle.

Treasurer. The key.

Secretary. The cross pens.

Deacons. The dove.

Director of ceremonies. The cross rods.

Organist. The lyre.

Inner guard. The cross swords.

Steward The cornucopia.

Tyler. The sword.

All the above jewels are to be of silver.

In the grand lodge, and on all occasions where the grand officers appear in their official capacities, they shall wear the following regalia :

Grand master Chain over blue collar, gauntlets and apron, all bound and embroidered, and jewel.

Deputy grand master. . . Chain over blue collar, gauntlets and apron, all bound and embroidered, and jewel.

District deputy grand master. Blue collar, gauntlets, apron, all bound and embroidered, and jewel.

Senior and junior grand wardens, chaplain, treasurer, registrar, secretary. Blue collar, gauntlets, apron, all bound, and jewel.

All other grand officers. Blue collar and apron, all bound, and jewel.

193. Every application for a warrant to hold a new private lodge must be by petition to the grand master, signed by at least seven regularly registered master masons, and the lodges to which they belong, or formerly belonged, must be specified. The petition must be recommended by the nearest warranted lodge, and, in case of there being more than two warranted lodges within the jurisdiction, it shall require the recommendation of not less than one-half of said lodges, and be transmitted to the district deputy grand master, who is to forward it with his recommendation, or opinion thereon, to the grand secretary, to be submitted to the grand master. If the prayer of the petition be granted, the grand master may issue a dispensation authorizing the brethren to meet as a private lodge until the next communication of grand lodge. If, in the opinion of the grand master, the recommendation of the nearest lodge or lodges be unreasonably withheld, he shall have power to waive such recommendation.

193. B. No warrant for a new private lodge shall be granted until, in addition to the ordinary recommendation of the district deputy grand master, there is furnished by that officer a certificate to the effect that the lodge working under dispensation and seeking a warrant has provided itself with suitable furniture and regalia.

MASONIC TRIALS.

The same as in the 1885 edition of the book of constitution, except that the following clauses is added—next after “undue solicitation of candidates”—namely :

Using a masonic emblem as a trade mark or business sign.

CEREMONY OF LAYING A FOUNDATION STONE.

Insert “grand registrar with his bag” after “past grand registrars.”

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, to meet again on Thursday, the 14th July, at 10 o'clock, forenoon.

THURSDAY, 14th July, A. D. 1887.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 10.30 a. m.

PRESENT :

M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, Grand Master,
on the Throne.

Grand Officers, Members and Representatives.

CREDENTIALS OF REPRESENTATIVES.

R W. Bro. R. Hendry, Jr., on behalf of the Committee on the Credentials of Representatives, presented and read the following

REPORT :

The Committee on the Credentials of Representatives to this Grand Lodge, beg to report that there are 359 Lodges on the Grand Register, 211 Lodges are represented by their duly qualified officers, 93 Lodges are represented by proxy, and 52 Lodges are unrepresented. The total number of votes entitled to be cast at this meeting is 978.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

R. HENDRY, JR.,	} <i>Committee.</i>
R. B. HUNGERFORD,	
T. W. SPARHAM,	

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. Hendry, Jr., seconded by R. W. Bro. R. B. Hungerford, and

Resolved,—That the Supplementary Report of the Committee on Credentials of Representatives and Proxies be received and adopted.

TRANSFER TO BENEVOLENT FUND.

In accordance with notice given, it was moved by M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, seconded by R. W. Bro. David McLellan, and

Resolved,—That the sum of \$5,000 be taken from the general funds of Grand Lodge, and placed to the credit of the Fund of Benevolence, Current Account.

REPORT ON ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER.

R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, on behalf of the Board, presented and read the following

REPORT :

It must be a matter of sincere satisfaction to every earnest

Mason that the address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, on the occasion of our present meeting, should be opened by a statement of the uninterrupted success and prosperity of the Craft in this Province. In that success and prosperity we find an assurance not only of the intrinsic worth of Masonry and its principles, but of the zeal and earnestness and diligence with which the brethren of all degrees have labored to promote its divine teachings. May we not assure ourselves that never in the history of the world has any other secular organization illustrated the combination of great objects, with earnestness in their pursuit, in an equal degree with Masonry.

The loyal reference of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master to Her Majesty the Queen, ought to call forth an enthusiastic response from the brethren, not only in this jurisdiction but throughout the world.

Our beloved Sovereign, surrounded as she is by our atmosphere of Masonry, would seem to regulate her life and govern her actions by Masonic precepts. What an answer it is to those who allege that Masonry is disloyal and revolutionary in its teachings, that those, whose interests are in the highest degree dependent upon loyalty and stable and wise government, should become members of our Order; and that we should find among the princes, the judges and the soldiers of the Empire, a band of Masons prepared to maintain to the last the integrity of the free institutions under which we live.

As a body, one of whose objects it is to encourage the study of the liberal arts and sciences, we may congratulate ourselves that we live in a reign, the fifty years of which have seen the introduction and development of the most marvelous scientific improvements; that in our age thoughts can be flashed from shore to shore of the vast ocean; that we have lived to see the steam vessel ploughing her way through the deep, in defiance of the winds and tides; and that we can travel from one side to the other of our vast continent with a speed which fifty years ago was beyond conception. Masonry is in the most perfect harmony and sympathy with all these improvements, and indeed its principles will be appreciated

and valued in proportion to the progress of civilization and refinement.

The Board cordially recommend to Grand Lodge the suggestion of the M. W. the Grand Master, that an address be presented by our body to Her Majesty in this auspicious year, congratulating her on her long and glorious reign.

It is satisfactory to know that our relations with foreign Lodges are of the most kindly and fraternal character, and that they are looking to us as a model business organization. It is to be hoped that this assurance will be taken to heart by those who think our organization defective, and that we will take a pride in maintaining the reputation which we have acquired.

The Board approve of the appointments as Grand Representatives made by the M. W. the G. M. during the past year, while they sincerely mourn the deaths of some of our distinguished brethren which made some changes necessary. The memory of R. W. Bros. Burns and Cambie will be cherished by the brethren with feelings of love and respect. They were earnest and zealous Masons. The Board also sincerely regret the death of M. W. Bro. Gurney, of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, who was always a welcome visitor amongst us.

The Masonic Conventions, to which reference has been made by the M. W. the G. M., will, if continued, serve the three-fold purpose of increasing Masonic knowledge, settling Masonic jurisprudence, and ensuring harmony in the systems of the great Masonic bodies having jurisdiction in the several States of America and the Provinces of Canada. The Board echo the hope of the G. M. that the next meeting will take place in Toronto, and they cordially endorse the Grand Master's invitation to the American brethren to visit that city.

The organization known as the General Masonic Relief Association seems to be of such importance as to deserve the special attention and hearty support of Grand Lodge. The evil sought to be cured by it is one of considerable magnitude, and its continuance is calculated to do us injury.

The Board regret very much that the health of the M. W.

the G. M. has not been such as to permit him to do all that he desired to do during the past year. The brethren generally, however, are fully aware of his zeal and earnestness, and of the time and labor which he has devoted to Masonic matters, and they have an abiding faith that he will always, to the extent to which the Great Architect of the Universe will permit him, do his utmost to promote the interests of our Order.

The Board heartily endorse the action of the Grand Master with respect to our Ritual. It is to be hoped that this action will have the result of securing certainty and uniformity in the working of the Lodges.

The Board concur in the ruling of the Grand Master with respect to Royal Solomon Mother Lodge, and desire to express their satisfaction with the action taken by the Grand Master in the matter of invasion of jurisdiction (referred to in his address), and the prompt and satisfactory response to his representation made by the G. M. of the G. L. of Quebec.

The remarks of the M. W. the Grand Master with respect to the admission of visitors to Lodges deserve the earnest attention of every brother. Too much latitude in this matter has prevailed hitherto, and the case particularly referred to illustrates in a very marked manner the evils resulting from a relaxation of the safeguards created to prevent imposture. The Board also concur in the remarks of the G. M. respecting joint processions and canvassing for members.

A very pleasing paragraph of the Grand Master's address is that in which he speaks of the efficient manner in which the D. D. G. Ms. have done their duty during the past year. The burden laid upon the shoulders of those officers is great—so great, indeed, that brethren engaged in active business who have accepted the position have sometimes been unable to fulfil its duties. It is, however, most cheering to observe that the efficiency of the D. D. G. Ms., and their appreciation of their obligations, has increased year by year. Few who have not passed through this office have any adequate idea of the amount of labor involved in a thorough inspection of the Lodges in a District. All honor, then, to those who without

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lecting their ordinary avocations have devoted their time and interests to the improvement of their brethren.

The Board cordially approve of the action of the M. W. the Grand Master in recommending the sending of the sum of \$400 out of the funds of Grand Lodge for the relief of the sufferers by the Charleston earthquake.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

R. T. WALKEM.

Chairman of Sub-Committee on the Grand Master's Address.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem, seconded by M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, and

Resolved,—That the Report of the Board on the Address of the M. W. the Grand Master, be received and adopted.

Whereupon the M. W. the Grand Master appointed the following Committee to prepare an address to the Queen, viz : M. W. Bros. D. Spry and Hugh Murray and R. W. Bro. R. T. Walkem.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The M. W. the Grand Master appointed the following scrutineers of the ballot for Grand Officers, and elective members of the Board of General Purposes, viz :—W. Bros. W. McGiverin, A. B. Munson, Arthur Dennis, W. F. Boardman, John Chapman, A. E. Cooper, J. W. Ford, Geo. H. Luscomb, Malcolm Gibbs, W. H. Bennett, W. L. Underwood and John Sharp.

The scrutineers having reported, the following brethren were declared duly elected as office-bearers for the ensuing term, viz :—

M. W. Bro. Hy. Robertson,	L.L. B.,	Collingwood,	Grand Master.
R. " " R. T. Walkem,	Q. C.,	Kingston,	Deputy Grand Master.
" " " A. W. Porte,		London,	Grand Senior Warden.
" " " G. G. Rowe,	M. D.,	Parkdale,	Grand Junior Warden.
" " " Rev.C.L.Worrell,	M.A.,	Morrisburg,	Grand Chaplain.
" " " E. Mitchell,		Hamilton,	Grand Treasurer.
" " " D. Derbyshire,		Brockville,	Grand Registrar.
" " " J. J. Mason,		Hamilton,	Grand Secretary.

And by an open vote of Grand Lodge,

Bro. John H. Pritchard,	Toronto,	Grand Tyler.
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DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The following brethren were nominated by the Representatives of Lodges as District Deputy Grand Masters for their respective Districts, and were approved by the M. W. the Grand Master, viz :—

R. W. Bro.	R. M. Stuart,	Dresden,	Erie	Dis. No.	1
" "	Jas. Newell, M.D.,	Wyoming,	St. Clair	" "	2
" "	C. N. Spencer,	London,	London	" "	3
" "	C. McLellan,	Stratford,	South Huron	" "	4
" "	E. E. Wade,	Brussels,	North Huron	" "	5
" "	J. C. Hegler,	Ingersoll,	Wilson	" "	6
" "	Andrew Jardine,	Hespeler,	Wellington	" "	7
" "	Geo. Russell,	Hamilton,	Hamilton	" "	8
" "	Henry Jennings,	Penet'nguishene,	Georgian	" "	9
" "	C. G. McDermott,	St. Catharines,	Niagara	" "	10
" "	E. T. Malone,	Toronto,	Toronto	" "	11
" "	Benj. Shortley,	Peterborough,	Ontario	" "	12
" "	Wm. Smeaton,	Belleville,	Prince Edward	" "	13
" "	Fred Welch,	Kingston,	Frontenac	" "	14
" "	John M. Sinclair,	Delta,	St. Lawrence	" "	15
" "	David Taylor,	Ottawa,	Ottawa	" "	16
" "	A. W. Thompson,	Port Arthur,	Algoma	" "	17

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

The scrutineers having reported, the following brethren were declared duly elected members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing term, viz :—

R. W. Bro.	J. Ross Robertson,	Toronto.
" "	J. F. H. Gunn,	Walkerton.
" "	D. McLellan,	Hamilton.
" "	Donald Ross,	Picton.
" "	Hy. Macpherson,	Owen Sound.

Subsequently, the Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments as members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing term, viz :

R. W. Bro.	F. C. Martin,	Woodstock.
" "	F. J. Menet,	Toronto.
" "	J. H. Burritt,	Pembroke.
" "	J. E. Harding,	Stratford.
" "	L. H. Henderson,	Belleville,

NEXT ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

On motion it was resolved that the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge be held at the City of Toronto.

REMUNERATION OF GRAND TREASURER.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Wm. Forbes, seconded by V. W. Bro. C. E. Klotz, and

Resolved,—That the thanks of Grand Lodge be tendered to the R. W. the Grand Treasurer for his efficient services during the past ten years, and that until otherwise ordered, the sum of two hundred dollars per annum be paid to that officer.

CONCURRENT JURISDICTION.

It was moved by W. Bro. J. K. Leslie, seconded by W. Bro. J. H. Mackenzie, and

Resolved,—That York Lodge, No. 156, be granted concurrent jurisdiction over the territory as far southerly as the present northerly limits of the City of Toronto.

RESOLUTION *RE* "HEALING" RESCINDED.

It was moved by M. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, seconded by M. W. Bro. D. Spry, and

Resolved,—That the following clause in the Report of the Board of General Purposes on Jurisprudence, adopted in 1883, be rescinded, viz.:

"Several Lodges having applied to the M. W. the Grand Master for permission to heal and affiliate certain persons who claim to have been initiated in irregular or clandestine Lodges since the meeting of Grand Lodge in 1879. He has declined to grant the permission asked, holding that the resolution of Grand Lodge in 1877 would not apply to these cases, and has referred the matter to the Board.

"The Board consider that persons in the position of those above mentioned should be regarded in the same light as others who are not Masons, and should petition Lodges in the same way; and if accepted on the ballot, should be initiated in the same manner and on the same conditions as any other person desirous of becoming a Mason."

MEMORIAL FROM ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 20.

The Grand Secretary presented a Memorial from St. John's Lodge, No. 20, London, when

It was moved by V. W. Bro. M. D. Dawson, seconded by W. Bro. A. B. Greer,

That the Grand Lodge is of the opinion that the document given to St. John's Lodge, No. 209, I. R., when taking out a charter at the organization of this Grand Lodge, subsequently No. 14, now No. 20, authorizing them

to continue the Irish work, was regular, and that the Grand Secretary be now instructed to fill in the Nos. left blank, initialing and dating it.

It was moved in amendment by M. W. Bro. D. Spry, seconded by M. W. Bro. Jas Moffat,

That the memorial be referred to the M. W. the Grand Master for consideration and decision.

The amendment was put to the Grand Lodge and declared carried.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.

R. W. Bro. E. T. Malone presented his Credentials as the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Dakota, which were accepted, and the Representative saluted with Grand Honors.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, assisted by M. W. Bros. Murray, Spry and Klotz, proceeded with the installation and investiture of the newly elected officers, who were proclaimed and saluted with the customary Masonic honors.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

At a subsequent date, the M. W. the Grand Master was pleased to notify the Grand Secretary of the following appointments to office for the ensuing year, viz.:

V. W. Bro.	Fred. F. Manley,	Toronto,	G. S. D.
" "	John McLean Stevenson,	Barrie,	G. J. D.
" "	William Webster,	Belleville,	G. Supt. of W.
" "	Jas. H. Finlay,	Guelph,	G. Dir. of Cer.
" "	John Malloy,	Hamilton,	Asst. G. Sec'y.
" "	Thomas Millman,	Kingston,	" G. D. of C.
" "	John A. Cowan,	Toronto,	G. S. B.
" "	John Callard,	London,	G. Organist.
" "	James D. Wallis,	Ottawa,	Asst. G. Organist.
" "	Samuel Davison,	Toronto,	G. Pursuivant.
" "	William A. Woolson,	Ingersoll,	G. Steward.
" "	John A. C. Anderson,	Ridgetown,	G. "
" "	Thomas W. Chapple,	Uxbridge,	G. "
" "	John Shaw,	Brussels,	G. "
" "	William Miller,	Omeme,	G. "
" "	John Mallon,	Strathroy,	G. "

V. W. Bro. Jeremiah P. Thompson,	Belleville,	G. Steward.
" " Alexander Irvine,	London,	G. "
" " George M. Richardson,	Tamworth,	G. "
" " William T. Wilkinson,	Woodstock,	G. "
" " William Melrose,	Baden,	G. "
" " George B. Coy,	St. Catharines,	G. "
" " Geo. Reekie,	Thornbury,	G. Standard B.
" " David Barr,	Renfrew,	G. " B,

VOTE OF THANKS.

It was moved by R. W. Bro. Hy. Macpherson, seconded by M. W. Bro. D. Spry, and

Resolved,—That the cordial thanks of the Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby heartily tendered to the Committee of Management of the Lodges of Brockville and vicinity, for the ample and satisfactory arrangements made for the holding of the present Annual Communication.

NOTICES OF MOTION FOR NEXT ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

1. By R. W. Bro. J. H. Burritt,—That the Perth and Smith's Falls Lodges be restored to the Ottawa District, No. 16, and that the said District be relieved by the withdrawal therefrom of Hawkesbury and Plantagenet Lodges.
2. By R. W. Bro. Henry Macpherson,—That Clause 157, D. (now Clause 202) be struck out of the Book of Constitution.
3. By V. W. Bro. J. Parker Thomas,—That the City of Toronto be fixed as the permanent place of meeting of Grand Lodge.
4. By W. Bro. C. C. Robinson,—That hereafter, all business, except that of balloting for candidates, initiating and passing, be transacted in warranted Lodges in the third degree.
5. By R. W. Bro. T. P. Smith,—That the words "but such plea shall not excuse the Lodge from voting upon the question of guilt or innocence," be struck out of Clause 28, Masonic Trials, and the words "and thereupon sentence shall follow," be substituted therefor.

THE GRAND LODGE CLOSED.

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, it was closed at 7.10 p. m., in *ample form*.

ATTEST.



J. J. Maxon

Grand Secretary.

APPENDICES.

GRAND SECRETARY'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS.

Statement of moneys received by the Grand Secretary from
1st June, 1886, to 31st May, 1887.

NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ cts.	NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ cts.
2 Niagara.....	26 75	57 Harmony.....	37 00
3 The Anc't St. John's.	75 00	58 Doric.....	50 50
5 Sussex.....	95 25	61 Acacia.....	54 25
6 Barton.....	172 50	62 St. Andrew's.....	15 50
7 Union.....	39 75	63 St. John's.....	54 50
9 Union.....	38 25	65 Rehoboam.....	104 75
10 Norfolk.....	27 00	66 Durham.....	14 50
11 Moira.....	77 75	68 St. John's.....	71 75
14 True Britons'.....	65 00	69 Stirling.....	82 50
15 St. George's.....	101 25	72 Alma.....	75 75
16 St. Andrew's.....	116 75	73 St. James'.....	39 25
17 St. John's.....	41 25	74 St. James'.....	17 50
18 Prince Edward.....	81 50	75 St. John's.....	141 00
20 St. John's.....	93 00	76 Oxford.....	85 00
22 King Solomon's.....	78 50	77 Faithful Brethren....	53 75
23 Richmond.....	21 50	78 King Hiram.....	76 25
24 St. Francis.....	30 75	79 Simcoe.....	50 50
25 Ionic.....	73 50	80 Albion.....	24 00
26 Ontario.....	43 00	81 St. John's.....	42 00
27 Strict Observance....	128 00	82 St. John's.....	17 50
29 United.....	22 25	83 Beaver.....	39 50
30 Composite.....	29 75	84 Clinton.....	1 00
31 Jerusalem.....	32 75	85 Rising Sun.....	46 00
32 Amity.....	17 50	86 Wilson.....	102 00
33 Maitland.....	62 00	87 Markham Union....	17 00
34 Thistle.....	30 00	88 St. George's.....	55 75
35 St. John's.....	....	89 King Hiram.....	29 00
36 Welland.....	11 00	90 Manito.....	55 00
37 King Hiram.....	73 50	91 Colborne.....	26 50
38 Trent.....	47 75	92 Cataragui.....	68 00
40 St. John's.....	153 00	93 Northern Light.....	62 75
41 St. George's.....	32 25	94 St. Mark's.....	105 00
42 St. George's.....	61 75	96 Corinthian.....	46 25
43 King Solomon's.....	55 00	97 Sharon.....	11 50
44 St. Thomas'.....	87 50	98 True Blue.....	36 50
45 Brant.....	50 50	99 Tuscan.....	35 50
46 Wellington.....	56 00	100 Valley.....	49 00
47 Great Western.....	77 25	101 Corinthian.....	45 75
48 Madoc.....	59 00	103 Maple Leaf.....	63 00
50 Consecon.....	26 00	104 St. John's.....	59 00
52 Dalhousie.....	2 00	105 St. Mark's.....	29 25
54 Vaughan.....	34 00	106 Burford.....	66 00
55 Merrickville.....	29 25	107 St. Paul's.....	50 75
56 Victoria.....	46 00	109 Albion.....	49 00

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT—[Continued.]

NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ cts.	NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ cts.
110 Central.....	72 00	181 Oriental.....	11 50
113 Wilson.....	13 50	183 Prince Albert.....	14 00
114 Hope.....	38 00	190 Belmont.....	20 25
115 Ivy.....	44 00	192 Orillia.....	50 50
116 Cassia.....	17 50	193 Scotland.....	25 75
119 Maple Leaf.....	15 50	194 Petrolia.....	38 25
120 Warren.....	22 50	195 The Tuscan.....	34 00
121 Doric.....	79 00	196 Madawaska.....	83 25
122 Renfrew.....	26 00	197 Saugeen.....	33 25
123 The Belleville.....	71 25	200 St. Alban's.....	85 00
125 Cornwall.....	13 75	201 Leeds.....	37 00
126 Golden Rule.....	32 00	203 Irvine.....	31 00
127 Franck.....	10 00	205 New Dominion.....	33 50
128 Pembroke.....	87 00	207 Lancaster.....	45 25
129 The Rising Sun.....	14 00	209a St. John's.....	150 25
131 St. Lawrence.....	14 50	212 Elysian.....	26 25
133 Lebanon Forest.....	38 75	215 Lake.....	28 00
135 St. Clair.....	35 75	217 Frederick.....	5 50
136 Richardson.....	38 00	218 Stevenson.....	52 25
137 Pythagoras.....	40 50	219 Credit.....	35 50
139 Lebanon.....	27 00	220 Zeradatha.....	36 75
141 Tudor.....	24 75	221 Mountain.....	56 75
142 Excelsior.....	34 25	222 Marmora.....	53 50
143 Friendly Brothers.....	18 00	223 Norwood.....	46 75
144 Tecumseh.....	47 00	224 Zurich.....	23 75
145 J. B. Hall.....	75 50	225 Bernard.....	38 75
146 Prince of Wales.....	40 50	228 Prince Arthur.....	28 00
147 Mississippi.....	49 25	229 Ionic.....	64 50
148 Civil Service.....	32 50	230 Kerr.....	76 00
149 Erie.....	36 50	231 Lodge of Fidelity.....	17 75
150 Hastings.....	1 00	232 Cameron.....	28 25
151 The Grand River.....	70 50	232 Doric.....	33 50
153 Burns.....	21 00	234 Beaver.....	30 75
154 Irving.....	30 50	235 Aldworth.....	32 75
155 Peterboro'.....	60 50	236 Manitoba.....	31 25
156 York.....	22 75	237 Vienna.....	13 00
157 Simpson.....	55 50	238 Havelock.....	38 50
158 Alexandra.....	9 75	239 Tweed.....	29 25
161 Percy.....	30 00	241 Quinte.....	12 50
164 Star in the East.....	38 00	242 Macoy.....	44 25
165 Burlington.....	30 00	243 St. George.....	28 25
166 Wentworth.....	37 25	245 Tecumseh.....	99 50
168 Merritt.....	49 75	247 Ashlar.....	105 50
169 Macnab.....	31 50	249 Caledonian.....	27 50
170 Britannia.....	50 50	250 Thistle.....	37 50
171 Prince of Wales.....	28 75	253 Minden.....	50 00
172 Ayr.....	16 00	254 Clifton.....	40 75
174 Washington.....	1 00	255 Sydenham.....	17 25
177 The Builders.....	57 75	256 Farran's Point.....	31 25
178 Plattsville.....	38 25	257 Galt.....	93 75
179 Bothwell.....	....	258 Guelph.....	69 50
180 Speed.....	73 00	260 Washington.....	27 00

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT—[Continued.]

NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ cts.	NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ cts.
261 Oak Branch.....	2 00	321 Walker.....	18 50
262 Harriston.....	40 00	322 North Star.....	58 00
263 Forest.....	71 50	323 Alvinston.....	17 50
264 Chaudiere.....	37 75	324 Temple.....	31 00
265 Patterson.....	28 00	325 Orono.....	45 75
266 Northern Light ..	8 00	326 Zetland.....	80 75
267 Parthenon.....	31 75	327 The Hammond.....	15 50
268 Verulam.....	24 25	328 Ionic.....	19 50
269 Brougham Union....	22 00	329 King Solomon.....	28 25
271 Wellington.....	23 75	330 Corinthian.....	58 25
272 Seymour.....	32 00	331 Fordwich.....	25 00
274 Kent.....	31 50	332 Stratford.....	19 75
276 Teeswater.....	21 25	334 Prince Arthur.....	51 00
277 Seymour.....	25 00	336 Highgate.....	15 75
278 Mystic.....	33 00	337 Myrtle.....	25 00
279 New Hope.....	17 50	338 Dufferin.....	15 00
280 Mount Sinai.....	40 50	339 Orient.....	76 00
281 Thorne.....	82 75	340 St. John's.....	18 75
282 Lorne.....	20 00	341 Bruce.....	67 50
283 Eureka.....	33 00	342 Hiram.....	30 00
284 St. John's.....	30 75	343 Georgina.....	32 75
285 Seven Star.....	27 00	344 Merrill.....	27 25
286 Wingham.....	28 00	345 Nilestown.....	18 25
287 Shuniah.....	71 00	346 Occident.....	103 50
289 Doric.....	31 00	348 Georgian.....	24 50
290 Leamington.....	51 00	349 Elgin.....	31 00
291 Dufferin ..	25 00	350 Port Elgin.....	21 00
292 Robertson.....	44 50	352 Granite.....	29 00
293 The Royal Solomon Mother.....	37 00	354 Brock.....	41 50
294 Moore.....	28 00	356 River Park.....	22 50
295 Conestogo.....	24 00	357 Waterdown.....	35 75
296 Temple.....	24 00	358 Delaware Valley....	49 00
297 Preston.....	17 50	359 Vittoria.....	24 50
299 Victoria ..	29 75	360 Muskoka.....	34 50
300 Mount Olivet.....	24 00	361 Waverley.....	69 75
302 St. David's.....	8 00	362 Maple Leaf.....	29 00
303 Blyth.....	48 50	363 Frontenac.....	21 00
304 Minerva.....	21 00	364 Dufferin.....	24 50
305 Humber.....	18 00	366 Enclid.....	36 00
306 Durham.....	24 50	367 St. George.....	102 75
307 Arkona.....	20 00	368 Salem.....	43 50
309 Morning Star.....	37 00	369 Mimico.....	18 50
311 Blackwood.....	29 75	370 Harmony.....	56 50
312 Pnyx.....	64 00	371 Prince of Wales.....	49 00
313 Clementi.....	14 25	372 Palmer ..	17 75
314 Blair.....	23 50	373 Copestone.....	10 75
315 Clifford.....	18 00	374 Keene.....	20 00
316 Doric.....	76 75	375 Lorne.....	33 75
318 Wilmot.....	24 75	376 Unity.....	20 50
319 Hiram.....	10 00	377 Lorne.....	24 75
320 Chesterville.....	49 75	378 King Solomon's.....	52 00
		379 Middlesex.....	28 00

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT—[Continued.]

NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ cts.	NAMES OF LODGES.	\$ cts.
380 Union.....	128 50	404 Lorne.....	66 00
382 Doric.....	75 25	405 Mattawa.....	68 50
383 Henderson.....	28 00	406 The Spry.....	40 50
384 Alpha.....	115 50	407 Manitoulin.....	10 25
386 McColl.....	6 00	408 Murray.....	33 50
387 Lansdowne.....	16 25	409 Golden Rule.....	65 50
388 Henderson.....	29 50	410 Zeta.....	52 50
389 Crystal Fountain.....	9 50	411 Rodney.....	44 50
390 Florence.....	14 25	412 Keystone.....	22 00
391 Howard.....	1 00	413 Naphtali.....	38 25
392 Huron.....	21 00	U. D. Fort William.....	28 25
393 Forest.....	45 00	“ Lyn.....	33 50
394 King Solomon.....	30 25	“ Maxville.....	20 00
395 Parvaim.....	25 25	“ Keewatin.....	20 00
396 Cedar.....	31 25	Miscellaneous.....	96 15
397 Leopold.....	39 50	Interest-Benevolent Fund.....	1,755 12
399 Moffat.....	10 00	“ Asylum Fund.....	226 00
400 Oakville.....	8 00		
402 Central.....	26 00	Total.....	\$15,604 77
403 Windsor.....	48 00		

DISTRIBUTION OF MONEYS RECEIVED.

Certificates.....	\$2,471 00
Dues.....	9,157 25
Fees.....	1,379 50
Dispensations.....	144 00
Warrants.....	50 00
Constitutions ..	325 75
Sundries.....	96 15
Interest on General Fund.....	1,755 12
Interest on Asylum Fund.....	226 00
Total.....	\$15,604 77

GRAND TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

GENERAL FUND.

Dr. The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in account with E. MITCHELL, Gr. Treasurer. *Cr.*

		\$	cts.		\$	cts.
1886.						
June 1—	Paid Rt. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, postage, etc., for two years.....	12	58	May 31—	By Balance per Balance Sheet.....	20,899 38
July 10—	“ “ Grand Secretary's salary to 30th June, 1886.....	400	00	July 21—	“ “ Grand Secretary.....	5,000 00
“ 10—	“ “ Assistant to Grand Secretary, salary to 30th June, 1886.....	200	00	Sept. 30—	“ “ Transfer from Special Deposit.....	55,400 00
“ 10—	“ “ Masonic Hall Association, rent to 30th June, 1886.....	43	75	Nov. 30—	“ “ Grand Secretary.....	2,000 00
“ 10—	“ “ Grand Master, half-yearly grant, to 30th June, 1886.....	250	00	1887.		
“ 15—	“ “ Transfer to Benevolent Fund, vote of Grand Lodge.....	8,000	00	May 31—	“ “ Grand Secretary.....	6,623 65
“ 29—	“ “ M. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, postage for three years.....	45	00			
“ 29—	“ “ Copp, Clark & Co., printing Certificates, etc.....	284	72			
“ 29—	“ “ J. Ross Robertson, expenses, Com. Re-distribution Districts.....	140	08			
“ 29—	“ “ R. Duncan & Co., books, stationery, etc.....	46	10			

By amount carried forward..... \$9,422 23

\$89,923 03

GENERAL FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.		\$	cts.
1886.						
July 29—	Paid To amount brought forward.....	9,422	23			
" 29—	" Grand Secretary, exp. rent, printing, etc., G. L. Windsor	109	75			
" 29—	" Grand Secretary, balance of incidentals to 31st May, 1886	55	92			
" 29—	" Grand Secretary, advance on account of incidentals	300	00			
" 29—	" Pay list, Board of Gen'l Purposes.	831	50			
" 29—	" Ennis & Cook, sundry printing...	12	00			
" 29—	" Spectator Printing Co., sundry printing and binding.	81	25			
" 29—	" Buntin, Gillies & Co., for stationery	35	44			
" 29—	" Times Printing Co., sundry printing	95	50			
" 29—	" Mrs. W. M. Wilson, grant to 30th June, 1886	75	00			
" 29—	" Miss Wilson, grant to 30th June, 1886	75	00			
" 29—	" Mrs. T. B. Harris, grant to 30th June, 1886	56	25			
Sept. 30—	" Miss Mary Wilson, grant to 30th Sept., 1886	75	00			
" 30—	" Guarantee Co. of North America, bond of Grand Secretary	50	00			
Oct. 4—	" The London Loan Co., purchase of Debentures	10,000	00			
	By amount carried forward.....	\$21,274	84			
	To amount brought forward.....	\$89,923	03			

GENERAL FUND--Continued.

		\$	cts.
1886.	To amount brought forward	21,274	84
Oct. 4—	Paid The Western Canada Loan & Savings Co., purchase of Debentures	10,000	00
" 4—	" The Canada Permanent Loan & Savings Co., purchase of Deb....	10,000	00
" 4—	" The Landed Banking & Loan Co., purchase of Debentures.....	10,000	00
" 4—	" The Hamilton Provident & Loan Society, purchase of Debentures.	10,000	00
" 4—	" The Huron & Erie Loan & Savings Co., purchase of Debentures....	10,000	00
" 4—	" Grand Secretary's salary to 30th Sept., 1886	400	00
" 4—	" Assistant to Grand Secretary, salary to 30th Sept., 1886.	200	00
" 4—	" Mrs. W. M. Wilson, grant to 30th Sept., 1886	75	00
" 4—	" Mrs. T. B. Harris, grant to 30th Sept., 1886.....	56	25
" 4—	" Masonic Hall Association, rent to 30th Sept., 1886	43	75
" 4—	" Draft in aid of sufferers through earthquake at Charleston	400	00
Dec. 11—	" W. C. Morrison, repairs to D.G M. regalia	12	00
By amount carried forward		\$89,923	03

GENERAL FUND—Continued.

1887.		\$	cts.		\$	cts.
Jan.	8—	To amount brought forward	72,461	84	By amount brought forward	89,923 03
"	8—	Mrs. W. M. Wilson, grant to 31st Dec., 1886	75	00		
"	8—	Miss Mary Wilson, grant to 31st Dec., 1886	75	00		
"	8—	Grand Master, half-yearly grant for expenses	250	00		
"	8—	Fred. Cook, stenographer, etc., re investigation	28	60		
"	8—	Grand Secretary, salary to 31st Dec., 1886	400	00		
"	8—	Assistant to Grand Secretary, salary to 31st Dec., 1886	200	00		
"	8—	Masonic Hall Association, rent to 31st Dec., 1886	43	75		
"	8—	Mrs. T. B. Harris, grant to 31st Dec., 1886	56	25		
April 12—	"	Grand Secretary, salary to 31st March, 1887	400	00		
"	12—	Assistant to Grand Secretary, salary to 31st March, 1887	200	00		
"	12—	Masonic Hall Association, rent to 31st March, 1887	43	75		
"	12—	Mrs. W. M. Wilson, grant to 31st March, 1887	75	00		
		To amount carried forward	\$74,309	19	By amount carried forward	\$89,923 03

BENEVOLENT FUND—CURRENT ACCOUNT.

DR. The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in account with E. MITCHELL, Grand Treasurer. CR.

		\$	cts.		\$	cts.
1886.				1886.		
June 30—	Paid Mrs. Grant.....	15	00	May 31,	By Balance as per Sheet.....	4,356 34
" 30	" Board Relief, Chatham.....	15	00	July 15,	" Transferred from General Fund....	8,000 00
" 30	" Mrs. Cameron.....	15	00	Sept. 30,	" Interest on Special Deposit.....	816 70
July 31	" Mrs. Lowe.....	10	00	Dec. 31,	" Interest on Bank Account to date...	239 42
" 31	" Mrs. Taylor.....	10	00	1887.		
Aug. 31	" Mrs. Vance.....	10	00	May 31,	" Interest on Debentures	699 00
" 31	" Mrs. Richardson..	15	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Blondheim.....	15	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Oliver.....	15	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Palmer.....	15	00			
" 31	" Board Relief, Barrie.....	10	00			
" 31	" Mrs. McKay.....	10	00			
" 31	" Mrs. LeClair.....	10	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Greer.....	15	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Nixon.....	15	00			
" 31	" Mrs. McPhail.....	20	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Jamieson.....	20	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Sharpe.....	20	00			
" 31	" Bro. Patterson.....	25	00			
" 31	" Bro. Videau.....	25	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Harper.....	10	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Clegg.....	10	00			
" 31	" Mrs. Walker.....	15	00			
	To amount carried forward.....	\$340	00		By amount carried forward	\$14,111 46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.
1886.	To amount brought forward.....	340	00
Aug. 31 — Paid	Mrs. Harrington.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Pringle.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Allen.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Phipp.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. McTaggart.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Chatham.....	10	00
" 31	Bro. Prentice.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Toms.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Meyers.....	25	00
" 31	Mrs. Handy.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. McKenzie.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Dunlop.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Tinline.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Briggs.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Holmes.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Campaigne.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Bowman.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Parker.....	15	00
" 31	Bro. Black.....	25	00
" 31	Mrs. Shaw.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Nancolas.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. McKay.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Carter.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Kirk.....	10	00
To amount carried forward.....		\$655	00
		By amount brought forward..... \$14,111 46	

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.			\$	cts.
1886.		To amount brought forward.....				By amount brought forward.....	
Aug. 31—Paid		Mrs. Hamilton.....		1,050	00	14,111	46
" 31 "		Mrs. Patterson.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. McMenemy.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Snellgrove.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Willson.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Daughter Bro. Eligh.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Ferguson.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Penertt.....		15	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Harris.....		15	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Oldham.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Halliday.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Street.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Bethune.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Tandy.....		15	00		
" 31 "		Bro. Parkin.....		25	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Kneeshaw.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Locke.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Hartley.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Martin.....		20	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Fullerton.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Moore.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Macbeth.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Allen.....		10	00		
" 31 "		Mrs. Burton.....		20	00		
		To amount carried forward.....		\$1,340	00	By amount carried forward.....	\$14,111 46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

1886.		To amount brought forward.....	\$	cts,	By amount brought forward.....	\$	cts.
Aug. 31—	Paid	Mrs. Christinson.....	1,340	00		14,111	46
" 31	"	Mrs. McIntyre.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. McVety.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Arnold.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Dack.....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Thoborne.....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Turner.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Nash.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. McKellar.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Bro. Irwin.....	25	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Gifford.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Orphans, Bro. Burr.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Bartlett.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. McKillican.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Hortop.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Imlay.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Spraul.....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Roblin.....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Witmer.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Bro. Wilson.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Adamson.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Hilton.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Denoid.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Lawrence.....	15	00			
		To amount carried forward.....	\$1,690	00		\$14,111	46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.			\$	cts.
1886.		To amount brought forward.....				By amount brought forward.....	
Aug. 31—Paid							
" 31	Mrs. Phillips.....	1,690 00				14,111 46	
" 31	Mrs. Mitchell.....	15 00					
" 31	Mrs. Goslee.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. Benedict.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. Bryant.....	20 00					
" 31	Mrs. Stetham.....	15 00					
" 31	Mrs. Spickett.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. Auger.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. Wescott.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. Ramsay.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. Deacon.....	20 00					
" 31	Mrs. Connolly.....	20 00					
" 31	Bro. Nelson.....	25 00					
" 31	Mrs. Richardson.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. McNice.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. Goldsmith.....	20 00					
" 31	Orphans of Bro. Anderson.....	10 00					
" 31	Mrs. Johnston.....	20 00					
" 31	Mrs. Braund.....	20 00					
" 31	Mrs. Eppulett.....	15 00					
" 31	Bro. Worsfold.....	25 00					
" 31	Mrs. Blount.....	20 00					
" 31	Mrs. Hall.....	15 00					
" 31	Mrs. Pettit.....	15 00					
		To amount carried forward.....				By amount carried forward.....	
		\$2,055 00				\$14,111 46	

BENEVOLENT FUND--Continued.

		\$	cts.
1886.			
Aug. 31	To amount brought forward.....	2,055	00
" 31	Board of Relief, Woodstock.....	5	00
" 31	Bro. Pocock.....	20	00
" 31	Board of Relief, Guelph.....	5	00
" 31	Mrs. Barber.....	10	00
" 31	Daughter of Bro. Lee.....	10	00
" 31	Daughter of Bro. Nilson.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Turner.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Tuttle.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Fauquier.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Griffith.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. McIntyre.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Bradley.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Cox.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. McKenzie.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Canning.....	10	00
" 31	Board of Relief, Peterboro'.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Boulton.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Renwick.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Power.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Gray.....	15	00
" 31	Bro. Donnelly.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Bee.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Newhold.....	25	00
" 31	Mrs. Douglas.....	20	00
	To amount carried forward.....	\$2,390	00
	By amount brought forward.....	\$14,111	46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

1886.		To amount brought forward.....	\$	cts.
Aug. 31	—Paid	Mrs. Porteous.....	\$2,390	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Parney.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Pigott.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. McBride.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Garbut.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Fisher.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. White.....	15	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Jollie.....	15	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Stitt.....	15	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Coulter.....	15	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Bennett.....	20	00
" 31	"	Bro. Thompson.....	25	00
" 31	"	Board of Relief, London.....	35	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Barber.....	15	00
" 31	"	Board of Relief, Owen Sound.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. McRaie.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Smith.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Bailey.....	10	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Riggs.....	20	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Huskell.....	15	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Rubidge.....	15	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Shupe.....	15	00
" 31	"	Mrs. Olmstead.....	15	00
" 31	"	Wife and children of Bro. Marsh.....	15	00
		To amount carried forward.....	\$2,740	00
		By amount brought forward.....	\$14,111	46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

1886.		\$	cts.
	To amount brought forward....	\$2,740	00
Aug. 31—Paid	Mrs. Christie.....	15	00
" 31	Ann Chaloner.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Newberry.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Small.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Smith.....	20	00
" 31	Orphans of Bro. Mowatt.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Hyslop.....	25	00
" 31	Board of Relief, Toronto.....	250	00
" 31	Mrs. Sutherland.....	20	00
" 31	Orphans of Bro. Monroe.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Stoppleben.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Lister.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Wylie.....	10	00
" 31	Orphans of Bro. Fraser.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Tilton.....	10	00
" 31	Board of Relief, Brockville.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Covil.....	15	00
" 31	Bro. Huyck.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Milne.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Robson.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Monroe.....	25	00
" 31	Mrs. Salmonds.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Steele.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Robertson.....	10	00
	To amount carried forward.....	\$3,350	00
	By amount brought forward.....	\$14,111	46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.
1886.	To amount brought forward....	\$3,350	00
Aug. 31—Paid	Mrs. Smyth.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Bryant.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Lewis.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Howe.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Noble.....	15	00
Sept. 30	Mrs. McLellan.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. McKay.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. Cummings.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. Howard.....	15	00
" 30	Mrs. Elliott.....	15	00
" 30	Mrs. Hewer.....	15	00
" 30	Mrs. Street.....	20	00
" 30	Mrs. Pierce.....	20	00
" 30	Mrs. Russell.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. Kerr.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. Harvey.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. Hunter.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. Wright.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. Kinsman.....	10	00
" 30	Mrs. McKenzie.....	15	00
" 30	Children of Bro. Salmoni.....	15	00
" 30	Mrs. Gill.....	20	00
" 30	Mrs. Gerrie.....	15	00
" 30	Mrs. Milloy.....	10	00
To amount carried forward.....		\$3,660	00
By amount brought forward....		\$14,111	46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

1886.		To amount brought forward.....	\$ cts.
Sept. 30—	Paid	Orphans of Bro. Doan.....	\$3,660 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Birtsch.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Tighe.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Inman.....	20 00
" 30	"	Daughter of Bro. Stut.....	10 00
" 30	"	Bro. Ingram.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Thompson.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Keys.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Hill.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Stewart.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Davey.....	10 00
" 30	"	Board of Relief, Windsor.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Harvey.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. De Wolf.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Neilson.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Harvey.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Reynell.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Howell.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Robbin.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Kennedy.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Stirton.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Taylor.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Miller.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Campbell.....	10 00
To amount carried forward.....			\$4,015 00
By amount brought forward.....			\$14,111 46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.
1886.			
Sept. 30—	Paid	To amount brought forward.....	\$4,015 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Blythe.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Dinmore.....	15 00
" 30	"	Orphans of Bro. Oliver.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Scatcherd.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Barber.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Gipson.....	10 00
" 30	"	Orphans of Bro. Davey.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Fowler.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Pinkerton.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Reinhard.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Sprague.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Davies.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Ellis.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Flood.....	20 00
" 30	"	Orphans of Bro. Orr.....	20 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Districh.....	10 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Bell.....	15 00
" 30	"	Mrs. Chisholm.....	10 00
Oct. 31	"	Mrs. Robertson.....	10 00
" 31	"	Board of Relief, Kingston.....	25 00
" 31	"	Mrs. Barnard.....	40 00
" 31	"	Mrs. Fidell.....	10 00
" 31	"	Mrs. McLeod.....	20 00
" 31	"	Grau Richards.....	10 00
		To amount carried forward.....	\$4,380 00
		By amount brought forward.....	\$14,111 46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.		\$	cts.
1886.						
Nov. 30	—Paid	To amount brought forward	.....	\$4,680 00		
Dec. 31	"	Mrs. Varden	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. Iredale	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Noble	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. Reid	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. McComb	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. Ellis	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. Smith	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. Stafford	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Spence	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Mills	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Sharpe	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Kelly	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Grant	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Laing	.....	20 00		
"	"	Mrs. Gregory	.....	20 00		
1887.						
Jan. 31	"	Mrs. Street	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. Robson	.....	20 00		
"	"	Mrs. Walker	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Wylie	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. McKenzie	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. Holmes	.....	15 00		
"	"	Mrs. Aunger	.....	10 00		
"	"	Mrs. Shaw	.....	10 00		
		To amount carried forward	.....	\$4,985 00		
		By amount brought forward	.....	\$14,111 46		

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$ cts	
1887.			
Jan. 31—Paid	To amount brought forward....	\$5,335	00
" 31	Mrs. McBride	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Garbutt,	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Renwick.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Nixon.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Palmer.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Jollie.....	15	00
" 31	Bro. Huyck.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Donnelly.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Bee.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Halliday.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Douglass.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Filton.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Goslen.....	10	00
" 31	Bro. Prentice.....	15	00
" 31	Daughter of Bro. Nelson ...	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Harvey.. ..	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Neelson.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Parkin.....	25	00
" 31	Board of Relief, London	35	00
" 31	Daughter of Bro. Mangham.....	5	00
" 31	Daughter of Bro. Mangham.....	5	00
" 31	Mrs. Kestivan.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Griffith.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Parker.....	15	00
To amount carried forward ...		\$5,700	00
By amount brought forward..		14,111	46
		\$14,111 46	

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

1887.		To amount brought forward.....	\$	cts.
Jan.	31—Paid	Mrs. Newberry.....	5,700	00
"	"	Mrs. Lawrence.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Christie.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Howe.....	15	00
"	"	Bro. Worsfold.....	25	00
"	"	Mrs. Barber.....	10	00
"	"	Mrs. McKenzie.....	10	00
"	"	Mrs. Stitt.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Salmonds.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Coulter.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Shupe.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Gray.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. McKellar.....	20	00
"	"	Mrs. O'Neil.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Gibony.....	10	00
"	"	Mrs. Park.....	10	00
"	"	Mrs. Distich.....	10	00
"	"	Mrs. Francis.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Pencrett.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Oliver.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Gerrie.....	15	00
"	"	Mrs. Fowler.....	20	00
"	"	Mrs. Bridgeport.....	20	00
"	"	Board of Relief, Guelph.....	5	00
		To amount carried forward	\$6,050	00
		By amount brought forward.....	14,111	46
			\$	cts.
			14,111	46
		By amount carried forward.....	\$14,111	46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.
1887.			
Jan. 31	—Paid To amount brought forward.....	6,050	00
" 31	" Orphans of Bro. Oliver.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Pigott.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. McIntyre.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Canning.....	10	00
" 31	" Board of Relief, Peterboro'.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. McLellan.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Small.....	20	00
" 31	" Mrs. Jamieson.....	20	00
" 31	" Board of Relief, Toronto.....	250	00
" 31	" Mrs. Christenson.....	10	00
" 31	" Bro. Black.....	25	00
" 31	" Mrs. Stewart.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Adamson.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Clegg.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Hartop.....	10	00
" 31	" Daughter of Bro. Lee.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Le Clair.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Siddon.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Olmstead.....	15	00
" 31	" Mrs. Rubidge.....	15	00
" 31	" Mrs. Wetner.....	20	00
" 31	" Mrs. Blount.....	20	00
" 31	" Mrs. McIntyre.....	10	00
" 31	" Mrs. Chatham.....	10	00
To amount carried forward.....		\$6,595	00
By amount brought forward.....		\$14,111	46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		To amount brought forward.....	\$	cts.			\$	cts.
1887.	Jan. 31—Paid	Mrs. Kerr.....	6,935	00	By amount brought forward.....	14,111	46	
	" 31	Mrs. Dunlop.....	10	00				
	" 31	Orphans of Bro. Monroe.....	10	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Kinsman.....	10	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Lister.....	10	00				
	" 31	Mrs. White.....	15	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Hewer.....	15	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Jolliffe.....	15	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Burton.....	20	00				
	" 31	Board of Relief, Windsor	20	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Harington.....	20	00				
	" 31	Mrs. McPhail.....	20	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Irvine.....	25	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Cossiboom.....	10	00				
	" 31	Mrs. McKay.....	10	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Blondheim.....	15	00				
	" 31	Bro. Meyers.....	25	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Palmer.....	15	00				
	" 31	Orphans of Bro. Orr.....	20	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Willson.....	10	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Hogg.....	10	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Moore.....	10	00				
	" 31	Mrs. Stoppelen.....	10	00				
	" 31	Bro. Wilson.....	20	00	By amount carried forward.....	14,111	46	
		To amount carried forward.....	\$7,290	00				

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.
1887.			
Jan. 31—	To amount brought forward.....	7,290	00
" 31	Mrs. Spence.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. McVity.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Van Loven.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Reinhard.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Flood.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Milne.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Spickett.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Inlay.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Scatchard.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. McNice.....	10	00
" 31	Orphans of Bro. Dean.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Wescott.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. McRae.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Smith.....	10	00
" 31	Mrs. Harvey.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Dinmore.....	15	00
" 31	Mrs. Tighe.....	20	00
" 31	Mrs. Riggs.....	20	00
" 31	Bro. Newbold.....	25	00
Feb'y 28	Mrs. Elliott.....	15	00
" 28	Mrs. Phipps.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Sprague.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. McKilican.....	20	00
" 28	Mrs. Tinline.....	10	00
To amount carried forward.....		\$7,620	00
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		By amount brought forward.....	\$14,111 46
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BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

		\$	cts.			\$	cts.
1887.		To amount brought forward					
Feb. 28—	Paid	Mrs. Roblin		7,620	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Porteous		15	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Waltho		10	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Servis		10	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Parney		10	00		
" 28	"	Board of Relief, Ottawa		15	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Phillips		15	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Sproule		15	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Bryant		15	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Chard		20	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. McBride		20	00		
" 28	"	Bro. Thompson		25	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Sutherland		20	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Playter		10	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Steele		10	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Vance		10	00		
" 28	"	Board of Relief, Owen Sound		10	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Harris		15	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Aishton		10	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Gilchrist		20	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Locke		10	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Braund		20	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Richardson		10	00		
" 28	"	Mrs. Huckell		15	00		
		To amount carried forward.		\$	7,960	00	
				By amount brought forward		\$	14,111 46
				By amount carried forward		\$	14,111 46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

1887.

		\$	cts.
Feb. 28	Paid To amount brought forward.....	7,960	00
" 28	Mrs. Goldsmith.....	20	00
" 28	Mrs. Dewolf	15	00
" 28	Mrs. Bartsch.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Horsenell.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Jackson.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Handy.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Smith.....	20	00
" 28	Mrs. Martin.....	20	00
" 28	Bro. Paterson.....	25	00
" 28	Mrs. Cummings.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Oldham.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Roblin.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Bethune.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Thoburne.....	15	00
" 28	Mrs. Dack.....	15	00
" 28	Mrs. Richardson.....	15	00
" 28	Mrs. Turner.....	20	00
" 28	Mrs. Street.....	20	00
" 28	Mrs. Connolly.....	20	00
" 28	Daughter of Bro. Steele.....	20	00
" 28	Mrs. Hartley.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Boulton.....	15	00
" 28	Mrs. Long.....	10	00
" 28	Mrs. Deacon.....	20	00
To amount carried forward.....		\$8,320	00

By amount brought forward.... \$ 14,111 46

By amount carried forward.....\$14,111 46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.
1887.	To amount brought forward.....	8,320	00
Feb. 28—	Paid Mrs. Bishop.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Fullarton.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Chisholm.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Leroy.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Ramsay.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Hurst.....	10	00
" 28	" Orphans of Bro. Todd.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Ferguson.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Snellgrove.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Wright.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Howells.....	15	00
" 28	" Mrs. Clarke.....	15	00
" 28	" Mrs. McKenzie.....	15	00
" 28	" Mrs. Gill.....	20	00
" 28	" Mrs. Summerville.....	15	00
" 28	" Orphans of Bro. Anderson.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Hill.....	20	00
" 28	" Mrs. Bryant.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Kneeshaw.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Inman.....	10	00
" 28	" Mrs. Iredale.....	15	00
" 28	" Mrs. Tandy.....	15	00
" 28	" Bro. Ingram.....	20	00
" 28	" Mrs. Rees.....	15	00
To amount carried forward....		\$8,625	00
		By amount brought forward.....	\$14,111 46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

		\$	cts.
1887.			
Feb. 28—	Paid	To amount brought forward.....	8,625 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Denoid.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Rome.....	15 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Blythe.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Greer.....	15 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Davies.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Hill.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Terley.....	10 00
" 28	"	Daughter of Bro. Richards.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Robertson.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Campbell.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Kennedy.....	20 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Jones.....	15 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Stetham.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Synth.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Taylor.....	10 00
" 28	"	Orphans of Bro. Mowat.....	20 00
" 28	"	Bro. Nelson.....	25 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Russell.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Bold.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Nash.....	20 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Noble.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. McKay.....	10 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Keys.....	15 00
" 28	"	Mrs. Mitchell.....	10 00
		To amount carried forward.....	\$8,930 00
		By amount brought forward.....	\$14,111 46

BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued.

1887.		To amount brought forward.....	\$	cts.		\$	cts.
Feb. 28—	Paid	Mrs. Davey.....	\$8,930	00	By amount brought forward.....	14,111	46
" 28	"	Mrs. Adams.....	15	00			
" 28	"	".....	20	00			
" 28	"	Mrs. Benedict.....	20	00			
" 28	"	Mrs. Johnson.....	20	00			
" 28	"	Mrs. Fowler.....	20	00			
Mar. 31	"	Bro. Smith.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Eppilett.....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Ellis.....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Bell.....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. McKay.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Wife and Children of Bro. Marsh....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Hilton.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Sharpe.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Pickhaver.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Board of Relief, Kingston.....	25	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Arnold.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Reynell.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Sturton.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Orphan of Bro. Rees.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Howard.....	15	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Barber.....	20	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Thompson.....	10	00			
" 31	"	Mrs. Bowman.....	15	00			
		To amount carried forward.....	\$9,310	00	By amount carried forward.....	\$14,111	46

GENERAL ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Dr.	<i>From 1st June, 1886, to 31st May, 1887.</i>		Cr.
	RECEIPTS.	DISBURSEMENTS.	
	\$ cts.		\$ cts.
Cash in Bank, 1st June, 1886	13,559 94	General Purposes	5,492 94
Received by Grand Secretary and paid over to		Benevolence	10,850 00
Grand Treasurer	15,604 77	Debentures purchased	60,000 00
Special Deposit, Canadian Bank of Commerce,		Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce, 31st May,	
withdrawn	55,400 00	1887	8,221 77
	<u>\$84,564 71</u>		<u>\$84,564 71</u>

BALANCE SHEET, 31ST MAY. 1887.

DR. *The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada, in account with E. MITCHELL, Gr. Treasurer.* CR.

Debitures—		
London Loan Co. of Canada, at 5 per cent.....	\$10,000 00	
Huron & Erie Loan & Savings, at 4½ per cent.....	10,000 00	
Western Canada Loan & Savings, at 4½ per cent.....	10,000 00	
Hamilton Provident & Loan Co., at 4½ per cent.....	10,000 00	
Canada Permanent Loan Co., at 4½ per cent.....	10,000 00	
Landed Banking & Loan Co., at 4¾ per cent.....	10,000 00	
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Divided as under :	\$60,000 00	
General Fund and Benevolent Investment Fund.....	\$32,800 00	
Asylum Fund.....	7,200 00	
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Current Account—Balance in Bank of Commerce..	\$60,000 00	
	8,221 77	
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	\$68,221 77	

General Fund	\$13,842 73
General Fund—Invested 1st Oct., 1886	4,600 00
Asylum Fund—Balance 31st May, 1886.	\$10,848 75
Add interest collected	226 00
	<hr/> 11,074 75
Benevolent Investment Account—Bal- ance 31st May, 1886	\$32,855 47
Add 10 per cent. gross receipts from 1st June, 1886	1,362 36
	<hr/> 34,217 83
Benevolent Fund—Current Account	4,486 46

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, AS AT 24TH JUNE, 1887.

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on Festival of St. John the Evangelist; all others on that of St. John the Baptist.

NO.	LODGE.	WHERE HELD	NIGHT OF MEETING.	W. MASTER.	SECRETARY.
2	Niagara.....	Niagara.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon—monthly	John Knox.....	John Redhead
3	aThe An. St. John's	Kingston.....	First Thursday.....	E. H. Smythe.....	John Sutherland
5	aSussex.....	Brockville.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon	Thos. W. Sparham..	Alex. Stewart
6	Barton.....	Hamilton.....	Second Wednesday.....	John Woodless.....	T. Clappison
7	Union.....	Grimsby.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	W. F. Clarke.....	Geo. N. Loosley
9	aUnion.....	Napanee.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	W. C. Scott.....	L. A. Scott
10	aNorfolk.....	Simcoe.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	Geo. H. Luscombe..	W. P. Kelly
11	aMoira.....	Belleville.....	Wednesday before full moon....	A. McGinnis.....	Chas. Lockerty
14	aTrue Britons.....	Perth.....	First Monday.....	Benj. Warren.....	W. A. Moore
15	St. George's.....	St. Catharines	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	Johnson Clench....	Henry O'Loughlin
16	aSt. Andrew's.....	Toronto.....	Second Tuesday.....	W. B. McMurrich...	Jos. Watson
17	St. John's.....	Cobourg.....	Monday on or before f. moon....	Robert Buck.....	Geo. R. Harcraft
18	aPrince Edward.....	Pictou.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	Edward W. Case....	H. Welbanks
20	aSt. John's.....	London.....	Second Tuesday.....	Geo. Elliott.....	M. D. Dawson
22	aKing Solomon's...	Toronto.....	Second Thursday.....	W. J. Hamby.....	Wm. Cook
23	Richmond.....	Richm'd Hill.	Monday on or before f. moon....	J. Crosby.....	R. E. Law
24	aSt. Francis.....	Smith's Falls.	Friday on or before f. moon....	Ogle Carrs.....	Stewart Moag
25	aIonic.....	Toronto.....	First Tuesday.....	F. M. Morson.....	Richard L. Harwick
26	aOntario.....	Port Hope.....	Third Thursday.....	Thos. A. Thompson.	W. B. Wallace
27	aStrict Observance..	Hamilton.....	Third Tuesday.....	W. F. McGivern....	T. H. Husband
28	aMount Zion.....	Kemptville...	Wednesday before f. moon.....	J. A. Jones, M.D....	W. H. Bottum
29	aUnited.....	Brighton.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	J. B. Thayer.....	F. S. Denorest
30	aComposite.....	Whitby.....	First Thursday.....	Major Harper.....	Robert Willis

31	aJerusalem	Bowmanville..	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	monthly	Wm. McKay.....	R. B. Andrew
32	aAmity	Dunnville....	Wednesday on or after f. moon...	"	Joseph Mumby	Thos. J. Galbraith
33	aMaitland	Goderich	Second Tuesday	"	Chas. A. Humber...	Rees Riece
34	aThistle	Amherstburg.	Tuesday before f. moon.....	"	George Green.....	Richard Elliott
35	St. John's	Cayuga	Thursday on or after f. moon....	"	J. H. Cameron.....	J. Irwin
36	Welland	Fonthill.....	Thursday on or before f. moon...	"	J. F. Brasford.....	J. O. Emmett
37	aKing Hiram	Ingersoll.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	"	W. L. Underwood..	A. J. Keil
38	aTrent	Trenton.....	Tuesday before f. moon.....	"	John S. Dench.....	George Collins
39	aMount Zion.....	Brooklin	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	"	W. J. Murray.....	R. C. Warren
40	aSt. John's	Hamilton	Third Thursday.....	"	W. R. Job.....	Wm. Birrell
41	aSt. George's.	Kingsville ..	Thursday on or before f. moon....	"	Sam'l T. Copus.....	J. A. Fitch
42	aSt. George's.....	London	First Wednesday	"	W. R. Vining.....	A. Ellis, Jr.
43	King Solomon's....	Woodstock ..	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	Geo. Middleton...	Geo. J. Fraser
44	aSt. Thomas'	St. Thomas..	First Thursday	"	Robert McCully...	S. L. Smith
45	Brant	Brantford	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	John Bishop.....	D. Curtis
46	aWellington.....	Chatham	First Monday.....	"	Samuel Trotter....	R. J. Birch
47	aGreat Western	Windsor	Thursday on or before f. moon....	"	Joseph Hall.....	G. T. Wilkie
48	aMadoc	Madoc	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	Jefferson Caverley..	James O'Hara
50	aConsecon	Consecon.....	Friday on or before f. moon	"	John H. Young.....	J. A. Johnson
52	Dalhousie	Ottawa.....	First Tuesday	"	C. A. Douglas.....	C. S. Scott
54	aVaughan	Maple	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	John S. Kinnee	A. Carley
55	aMerrickville.....	Merrickville..	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	A. McDonald	John H. Meikle
56	Victoria.....	Sarnia	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	Chas. S. Ellis.....	W. P. Evans
57	aHarmony	Binbrook.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon ..	"	Jas. N. Duncan.....	E. J. Duffy
58	aDoric.....	Ottawa.....	First Wednesday	"	Abraham Pratt	Sam'l Rothwell
61	aAcacia.....	Hamilton	Second Friday	"	Alex. Smith.....	J. D. Clarke
62	aSt. Andrew's.....	Caledonia	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	Wm. Galer.....	A. J. Nelles
63	aSt. John's	Carleton Place	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	W. F. Latimer.....	W. Sutherland, Jr.
64	aKilwinning	London	Third Thursday	"	P. Birtwistle	John Overell
65	aRehoboth.....	Toronto.....	First Thursday	"	Malcolm Gibbs	Almon Wood
66	aDurham.....	Newcastle	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	Jas. Parker	E. Simmons
68	aSt. John's	Ingersoll.....	Thursday on or before f. moon ...	"	John Morrison.....	Wm. Ewart

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69	Stirling.....	Stirling.....	Thursday after f. moon.....	G. W. Faulkner.....	John Shaw.....
72	Alma.....	Galt.....	Thursday on or before f. moon..	J. H. Radford.....	Thos. Patterson.....
73	aSt. James'.....	St. Marys.....	First Monday.....	J. Chalmers.....	D. S. Rupert.....
74	aSt. James'.....	Matland.....	Monday nearest f. moon.....	A. Burritt.....	Chas. B. Lemon.....
75	St. John's.....	Toronto.....	First Monday.....	J. L. Kerr.....	R. B. Harcourt.....
76	aOxford.....	Woodstock.....	Second Wednesday.....	W. T. Wilkinson.....	G. M. Gamble.....
77	aFaithful Brethren..	Lindsay.....	First Friday.....	J. Graham.....	F. H. Dobbin.....
78	aKing Hiram.....	Tilsonburg.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	Chas. McDonald.....	P. G. Bromley.....
79	aSimcoe.....	Bradford.....	Thursday on or before f. moon..	James S. Boddy.....	Frank Stewart.....
80	Albion.....	Newbury.....	First Tuesday.....	W. F. Roome, M.D.....	J. D. Anderson.....
81	aSt. John's.....	Mt. Brydges.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	David Small.....	H. G. Lindsay.....
82	St. John's.....	Paris.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	Wm. R. Baker.....	Peter H. Cox.....
83	aBeaver.....	Strathroy.....	Friday on or after f. moon.....	John Mallon.....	A. A. Cockburn.....
84	aClinton.....	Clinton.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	Wm. Jones.....	Wm. F. Murray.....
85	Rising Sun.....	Farmersville.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	Wm. Johnston.....	J. P. Lamb.....
86	aWilson.....	Toronto.....	Third Tuesday.....	Sam'l Brown.....	John Firstbrook.....
87	Markham Union....	Markham.....	Friday on or before full moon.....	James Speight.....	John Simpson.....
88	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	Hugh Reid.....	John H. Natter.....
90	aManito.....	Collingwood.....	Wednesday on or after f. moon...	W. T. Toner.....	John L. Cox.....
91	aColborne.....	Colborne.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	G. F. Macklam.....	Geo. Keys.....
92	aCataqui.....	Kingston.....	Second Wednesday.....	Jas. Crawford.....	D. Callaghan.....
93	aNorthern Light....	Kincardine.....	First Wednesday.....	Edward Fox.....	R. D. Hall.....
94	aSt. Mark's.....	Port Stanley.....	Second Tuesday.....	John Pollock.....	Alex. Pollock.....
95	Ridout.....	Otterville.....	Thursday on or before f. moon...	M. Durkee.....	Wm. T. Kay.....
96	aCorinthian.....	Barrie.....	First Thursday.....	Geo. G. Smith.....	John Dickinson.....
97	aSharon.....	Sharon.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	C. E. Lundy.....	Jas. Wayling.....

98	True Blue	Albion.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	—monthly	F. W. Bolton. . . .	W. J. Lepper
99	Tuscan	Newmarket. .	Second Wednesday	"	Jas. Allan, Jr.	J. E. Dickson
100	Valley	Dundas	Monday on or before f. moon.....	"	Roy V. Somerville..	J. O. Rooke
101	<i>a</i> Corinthian	Peterboro'....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	R. E. Wood	E. A. Peck
102	<i>a</i> Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines	Thursday on or after full moon....	"	Robt. Brownlow....	Harry Southcott
103	St. John's	Norwich	Wednesday on or after f. moon....	"	A. H. S. Hill	J. H. Miller
104	St. Mark's	Nia. Falls S'th	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	"	James E. Jones.....	W. A. Kennedy
105	<i>a</i> Burford	Burford.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	W. F. Miles.....	H. G. Cox
106	St. Paul's	Lambeth	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	W. R. Pincombe...	John Thornicroft
107	Blenheim	Drunbo.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon....	"	W. P. Patton.....	J. F. Goodwin
108	<i>a</i> Albion	Harrowsmith..	Friday on or before f. moon.....	"	B. P. Day.....	James Cook
109	<i>a</i> Central.....	Prescott.....	First Tuesday.....	"	H. H. Wells.....	Chas. H. Mosman
110	<i>a</i> Wilson	Waterford...	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	Walker Massecar...	E. H. Long
111	<i>a</i> Hope	Port Hope...	First Thursday.....	"	G. B. Salter.....	J. Harner
112	<i>a</i> Ivy	Beamsville...	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	"	John Ritchie.....	Chas. B. Brine
113	<i>a</i> Cassia	Thedford.....	Monday on or before f. moon....	"	W. N. Ironside.....	John G. Brown
114	Union	Schomberg...	Monday on or before f. moon....	"	A. Wilkinson	W. I. Brereton
115	<i>a</i> Maple Leaf	Bath	Monday before f. moon.....	"	F. W. Armstrong...	M. Robinson
116	Warren.....	Fingal.....	First Tuesday.....	"	Geo. E. Casey	S. E. Burwell
117	<i>a</i> Doric.....	Brantford...	Tuesday after f. moon.....	"	Levi Secord, M. D..	J. P. Excell
118	<i>a</i> Renfrew	Renfrew	First Monday.....	"	James Craig	A. Inglis
119	The Belleville...	Belleville....	First Thursday.....	"	Henry Pringle.....	Wm. McKeown
120	<i>a</i> Cornwall	Cornwall.....	First Tuesday.....	"	C. J. Hamilton.....	John Ridley
121	<i>a</i> Golden Rule ..	Campbellford.	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	"	R. H. Bonnycastle..	John Turner
122	Frank	Frankford*..	Monday before f. moon.....	"	Chester W. Clarke..	Arthur Terrill
123	<i>a</i> Pembroke	Pembroke...	First Thursday.....	"	Geo. E. Josephs....	J. G. Forgie
124	The Rising Sun...	Aurora.....	First Friday.....	"	C. C. Robinson... .	E. W. Love
125	St. Lawrence....	Southampton.	Tuesday on or after f. moon.....	"	John Johns.....	W. Godfrey
126	Lebanon Forest...	Exeter.....	Monday on or before f. moon.....	"	Geo. Willis.....	M. Eacrett
127	<i>a</i> St. Clair	Milton.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	"	J. H. McCollom.....	John Lyon
128	Richardson.....	Stouffville...	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	Wm. Todd.....	R. P. Coulson
129	<i>a</i> Pythagoras.....	Meaford.....	Friday nearest f. moon.....	"	W. N. Chisholm.....	J. D. McGee

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139	Lebanon.....	Oshawa.....	Second Tuesday.....monthly	John S. Beaton.....	Jas. McCaw
140	aMalahide.....	Aylmer.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon...	C. W. Marlatt, M.D.	T. H. Collins
141	aTudor.....	Mitchell.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	Wm. White.....	Wm. Elliot
142	aExcelsior.....	Morrisburg.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	S. B. Fell.....	W. A. Nash
143	aFriendly Brothers...	Iroquois.....	Wednesday before f. moon.....	T. A. Thompson...	W. L. Redmond
144	aTecumseh.....	Stratford.....	First Thursday.....	Arthur Deane.....	John M. Moran
145	aJ. B. Hall.....	Millbrook.....	Second Thursday.....	John C. Kells.....	H. McCartney
146	aPrince of Wales.	Newburgh.....	Wednesday before f. moon..	Jas. Mulholland....	John Jackson
147	aMississippi.....	Almonte.....	First Friday.....	Ralph Hill.....	Robt. Pollock
148	aCivil Service.....	Ottawa.....	Second Tuesday.....	W. F. Boardman....	W. A. Blair
149	aErie.....	Port Dover.....	Monday on or before f. moon.....	Wm. Duncan.....	L. Skeay
150	aHastings.....	Hastings.....	Thursday on or before f. moon.....	Thos. Hill.....	A. B. German
151	The Grand River...	Berlin.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon...	David Forsyth.....	I. J. West
153	aBurns.....	Wyoming.....	Thursday on or before f. moon...	Albert N. Wood...	J. Newell
154	aIrving.....	Lucan.....	Thursday on or before f. moon...	Thos. Kitt.....	J. W. Blackwell
155	aPeterboro'.....	Peterboro'.....	First Friday.....	Wm. Thompson....	David Spence
156	aYork.....	Eglington.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	John Cudmore.....	Robt. Williams
157	Simpson.....	Newboro'.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon...	J. R. Dargaval.....	J. H. Butler
158	aAlexandra.....	Oil Springs.....	Thursday on or before f. moon...	Jas. W. Ford.....	Wm. Miller
159	aGoodwood.....	Richmond.....	First Tuesday.....	John Satchell.....	W. V. Beaman
161	aPercy.....	Warkworth.....	Wednesday before f. moon.....	G. L. Duncan.....	Robt. McPherson
162	Forest.....	Wroxeter.....	Monday on or before f. moon.....	David M. Walker..	John Sanderson
164	aStar in the East...	Wellington...	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	S. W. Flagler.....	A. M. Osborne
165	aBurlington.....	Burlington...	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	Thos. Campbell....	Frederick Bray
166	aWentworth.....	Stoney Creek.	Monday on or before f. moon.....	Peter Reid.....	R. G. Marshall
168	aMerritt.....	Welland.....	Monday on or before f. moon.....	John H. Crow.....	W. E. Burgar

169	aMacnab.....	P't Colborne.	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	Thos. Rae.....	John McRae
170	aBritannia.....	Seaforth.....	First Monday.....	Wm. Ballantyne....	John Steel
171	aPrince of Wales..	Iona.....	Friday on or after f. moon.....	D. Sinclair.....	D. McLean
172	aAyr.....	Ayr.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	Walter Willison....	D. G. Lewis
174	aWalsingham.....	Port Rowan.	First Thursday.....	James Ryan.....	Wm. Ross
176	aSpartan.....	Sparta.....	Monday on or before f. moon.....	G. H. Haight.....	F. A. Henderson
177	The Builders.....	Ottawa.....	Second Friday.....	I. F. Webb.....	Hugh H. Cairns
178	aPlattsville.....	Plattsville..	Friday on or before f. moon.....	W. R. Henderson...	Geo. Saner
179	aBothwell.....	Bothwell.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	H. F. Smith.....	W. N. Johnson
180	aSpeed.....	Guelph.....	First Tuesday.....	S. R. Moffatt.....	Wm. Gibson
181	aOriental.....	Port Burwell.	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	M. G. Burwell....	D. M. Chute
183	aPrince Albert...	Port Perry....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	Henry Foy.....	Wm. Spence
184	aOld Light.....	Lucknow.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	J. McPherson.....	Wm. Nellis
185	aEnniskillen.....	York.....	Monday on or before f. moon.....	W. J. Ramsay.....	Wm. Clarke
186	aPlantagenet.....	Plantagenet...	Monday on or before f. moon.....	C. E. Johnson.....	Myles G. Ross
189	aFilius Vidure.....	Adolphustown.	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	C. W. Benjamin....	W. H. Ingersoll
190	Belmont.....	Belmont.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	D. Sinclair.....	John Boyd
192	aOrillia.....	Ouillia.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	A. B. Perry.....	Wm. Ironside
193	aScotland.....	Scotland.....	Monday on or before f. moon.....	L. A. Winegarden...	Thos. Kerr
194	aPetrolia.....	Petrolia.....	Second Wednesday.....	E. D. Kerly.....	Robt. Jackson
195	aThe Tuscan.....	London.....	First Monday.....	G. D. Sutherland...	R. B. Hungerford
196	aMadawaska.....	Arnprior.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	A. C. Pye.....	J. E. Thompson
197	aSaugen.....	Walkerton....	Second Tuesday.....	C. Dempsey.....	Geo. Shank
200	St. Alban's.....	Mount Forest	Friday on or before f. moon.....	John N. Cringle....	R. O. Kilgour
201	aLeeds.....	Gananoque....	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	Alex. C. Watt.....	Jas. Hayward
203	Irvine.....	Elora.....	Friday before f. moon.....	Edward Burns.....	John McDonald
205	New Dominion.....	N. Hamburg.	Monday on or after f. moon.....	John R. Feick.....	Wm. Millar
207	aLancaster.....	Lancaster....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	J. D. Houston.....	John McGillis
209a	aSt. John's.....	London.....	Second Thursday.....	A. E. Cooper.....	John Siddons
209	aEvergreen.....	Lanark.....	First Tuesday.....	A. P. Melrose.....	W. A. Field
211	aHawkesbury.....	Hawkesbury..	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	Robt. McFarlane...	James Ryan
212	aElysian.....	Garden Island.	First Monday.....	John Mullin.....	A. H. Dugdale

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214	aCraig.....	Ailsa Craig..	Monday on or after f. moon.....	John McKay....	J. W. Tibeands
215	aLake.....	Ameliasburg.	Monday on or before f. moon....	D. Roblin.....	Isaiah Coleman
216	aHarris.....	Orangeville..	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	John C. Scott....	W. A. McLim
217	aFrederick.....	Delhi.....	Monday on or before f. moon....	Jacob Sovereign..	W. A. Ferguson
218	aStevenson.....	Toronto.....	Second Monday.....	John Nicholson..	Thos. H. Smith
219	aCredit.....	Georgetown..	Friday on or before f. moon.....	J. A. Todd, M. D ..	Thos. J. Wheeler
220	aZeratha.....	Uxbridge.....	Monday on or before f. moon....	T. W. Chaple.....	W. A. McCullough
221	aMountain.....	Thorold.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	B. F. Morley.....	W. T. Fish
222	aMarmora.....	Marmora.....	Tuesday before f. moon.....	Richard B. Proutt..	A. W. Carscallen
223	aNorwood.....	Norwood.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	Wm. H. Stevenson..	Thos. Burke
224	aZurich.....	Hensall.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	Robt. Buswell....	Jas. Bonthron
225	aBernard.....	Listowel.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	Thos Blackmore..	J. B. Dinkel
228	aPrince Arthur.....	Odessa.....	Monday after f. moon.....	Lewis H. Stover....	John A. McKay
229	aIonic.....	Brampton....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	Jas. Anderson.....	W. W. Woods
230	aKerr.....	Barrie.....	Fourth Monday.....	J. H. Bennett.....	D. C. Murchison
231	Lodge of Fidelity..	Ottawa.....	Second Wednesday..	F. C. Lightfoot...	P. H. Varney
232	aCamerton.....	Wallacetown..	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	A. S. Backus.....	R. Jordan
233	aDoric.....	Park Hill.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	D. N. McLeod.....	John W. Johnson
234	aBeaver.....	Clarksburg..	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	James Rorke.....	Chas. Pye
235	aAldworth.....	Paisley.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	J. J. Richardson...	Thos. Gray, M. D.
236	aManitoba.....	Cookstown...	Tuesday on or after f. moon.....	O. R. Ferguson....	T. S. Patterson
237	aVienna.....	Vienna.....	Friday before f. moon.....	John H. Teall.....	H. G. Weinhold
238	aHavelock.....	Watford.....	Tuesday before f. moon.....	Samuel Howden...	John Cameron
239	aTweed.....	Tweed.....	Friday on or before f. moon.....	Wm. Wright.....	Wm. B. Empey
241	aQuinte.....	Shannonville..	Tuesday on or after f. moon.....	John Kemp.....	A. W. Vancott
242	aMacoy.....	Mallorytown..	Monday on or before f. moon....	F. Thompson.....	H. Griffin

243	<i>a</i> St. George.....	St. George...	Thursday on or before f. moon....	monthly	E. E. Kitchen, M.D.	C. E. Keefer
245	<i>T</i> ecumseh.....	Thamesville...	Tuesday on or before f. moon....	"	John Davidson....	E. H. Moran
247	<i>A</i> shlar... ..	Toronto	Fourth Tuesday.....	"	A. D. Ponton.....	J. G. Howarth
249	<i>a</i> Caledonian ..	Midland	Second Tuesday.....	"	R. Ralke, M. D....	R. Finch
250	<i>T</i> histle.....	Embro... ..	Thursday on or before f. moon....	"	James Munro.....	C. Ross
253	<i>a</i> Minden.....	Kingston.....	First Monday.....	"	L. W. Shannon....	John P. Oran
254	<i>C</i> lifton.....	Niag. Falls...	Thursday on or before f. moon....	"	John Wills.....	H. Preston
255	<i>S</i> ydnam.....	Dresden.....	Wednesday on or after f. moon....	"	W. H. Switzer.....	S. Hodgins
256	<i>a</i> Farran's Point.....	Farran's Pt...	First Wednesday.....	"	A. S. Wylie.....	C. C. Farran, Jr
257	<i>a</i> Galt.....	Galt... ..	First Tuesday.....	"	John Shupe.....	C. A. Powell
258	<i>G</i> uelph.....	Guelph.....	Second Tuesday.....	"	W. Marcroft.....	G. J. Brill
259	<i>S</i> pringfield.....	Springfield...	Monday on or before f. moon....	"	H. F. Honsberzer...	J. B. Lucas
260	<i>a</i> Washington.....	Petrolia.	First Tuesday.....	"	Chas. Wilson.....	James Peat
261	<i>a</i> Oak Branch.....	Innerkip.....	Thursday before f. moon.....	"	Daniel Peat.....	Geo. McFarlane
262	<i>a</i> Harriston.....	Harriston... ..	Monday on or after f. moon.....	"	Frank Birss	John L. Eedy
263	<i>a</i> Forest.....	Forest.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	R. A. Hill	Peter McKellar
264	<i>a</i> Chaudiere.....	Ottawa.....	First Monday.....	"	Wm. Hill.....	W. A. Bangs
265	<i>P</i> atterson.....	Thornhill.....	Thursday on or before f. moon.....	"	Jas. Cherry.....	J. C. Steele
266	<i>a</i> Northern Light ..	Stayner.....	Tuesday before f. moon.....	"	H. B. Selby.....	W. Watson
267	<i>a</i> Parthenon.....	Chatham... ..	First Wednesday.....	"	Chas. Dunlop.....	A. M. Smith
268	<i>a</i> Verulam.....	Bobcaygeon...	Last Friday.....	"	Wm Farncomb....	R. Ventress
269	<i>a</i> Brougham Union..	Brougham... ..	Wednesday on or after f. moon...	"	Geo. D Linton... ..	D. R. Beaton
270	<i>a</i> Cedar.....	Oshawa.....	Fourth Tuesday.....	"	Geo. E. Scott.....	L. K. Murton
271	<i>W</i> ellington.....	Erin.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon...	"	Chas. Overland, Jr...	Wm. Conboy
272	<i>S</i> eymour.....	Ancaster.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	Thos. E. Epps... ..	A. D. Roberts
274	<i>a</i> Kent.....	Blenheim.....	Monday on or before f. moon.....	"	E. H. Halfpenny....	P. Haggart
275	<i>T</i> eeswater.....	Teeswater ...	Friday on or before f. moon.....	"	Joseph Whytock....	H. C. Brown
277	<i>a</i> Seymour.....	Pt. Dalhousie	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	John Patterson....	A. Kelly
278	<i>M</i> ystic.....	Roslin	Thursday before f. moon.....	"	Chas. Hudson, Jr....	H. Hudson
279	<i>N</i> ew Hope.....	Hespeler	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	Peter Jardine	C. Bapst
280	<i>M</i> ount Sinai	Napanee	First Thursday	"	A. H. Allison.....	A. L. Morden
281	<i>a</i> Thorne.....	Orillia	First Tuesday	"	Jas. B. Tudhope....	J. H. Buck

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282	Lorne	Glencoe	Thursday on or before f. moon...	John L. Charles.....	W. G. Lumley .
283	aEureka.	Belleville.....	Wednesday after f. moon	Wm. Smeaton	W. J. Diamond
284	aSt. John's	Brussels	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	Thos. Town	John Shaw .
285	Seven Star	Alliston.	Wednesday before f. moon	Robt. Tegar.....	Hugh McC. Wright
286	aWingham	Wingham	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	E. L. Dickinson....	J. A. Morton
287	aShuniah	P. Arthur	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	T. J. C. Rodden....	F. C. McCready
289	aDoric.....	Lobo	Thursday on or before f. moon.....	Neil A. Graham....	P. S. Graham
290	aLeamington	Leamington..	Tuesday on or before f. moon.....	A. T. Bristow	P. H. Martin
291	aDufferin	W. Flamboro'	Thursday on or before f. moon.....	Wm. Clark	Alfred Jones
292	aRobertson	Nobleton.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon...	Hugh Kennedy....	T. H. Robinson
293	aThe Royal Sol. Mth'r	Jerusalem Pal.	First Wednesday.....	Wm. Else	Edward Unger
294	aMoore	Mooretown ..	Thursday on or before f. moon.....	Rev. D. Armstrong.	M. Day
295	aConestogo	Drayton	Tuesday on or after f. moon	Chas. Hendry, Jr. .	A. A. Benning
296	aTemple	St. Catharines	Last Wednesday	J. R. Seymour	Fred. Kilmer
297	Preston	Preston	Friday on or before f. moon.....	Arch. Webster	Joseph Baltzer
299	Victoria	Centreville ..	Thursday on or before f. moon.....	Robt. Cox.	J. D. Wagner
300	Mount Olivet.....	Thorndale....	Tuesday on or before f. moon	Richard Guest	Robt. Smith
302	St. David's	St. Thomas..	Third Thursday	Jas. Sherman	Alex Hess
303	aBlyth	Blyth	Tuesday on or after f. moon	Alex. Murdock.....	Chas. E. Tanner
304	aMinerva	Stroud	Tuesday on or before f. moon	Wm. Metcalf	R. G. McCraw
305	aHumber	Weston.....	Wednesday on or before f. moon...	W. J. Charlton, M.D.	Jas. Cruickshank
306	Durham	Durham.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon	H. W. Mockler.....	Geo. Russell
307	aArkoná.....	Arkona	Thursday on or before f. moon.....	Arch. McLachlan...	A. W. Augustine
308	aGrafton	Grafton.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon	W. W. Boyce, M.D.	Wm. Lawless
309	aMorning Star	Smith's Hill.	Wednesday on or before f. moon...	Alex. Robertson...	John Wilson
311	aBlackwood	Woodbridge..	Friday on or before f. moon.....	P. D. McLean, M.D.	D. Allan

312	aPnyx	Wallaceburg..	Monday on or before f. moon	monthly	Charles Chubb	E. Parker
313	aClementi	Lakefield	First Tuesday	"	Sparham Sheldrake.	Robt. Q. Dench
314	aBlair	Palmerston ..	Friday after f. moon	"	J. Nicoll	R. Doherty
315	aClifford	Clifford	Third Monday	"	Jas. S. Dewar	R. E. Biggar
316	aDoric	Toronto.	Third Thursday	"	Thos. Downey	J. F. Williams
318	aWilnot	Baden	Friday on or after f. moon	"	W. H. Erbach.	Alf. Kaufman
319	aHiram	Hagersville..	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	Geo. Sherk, M.D.	Alf. Godwin
320	aChesterville.....	Chesterville..	Monday on or before f. moon	"	Jas. G. Gillespie	Miles Brown, M.D.
321	aWalker	Acton West..	Monday on or before f. moon	"	W. J. Pigott.	W. R. Kennedy
322	aNorth Star	Owen Sound..	Wednesday after f. moon	"	John Miller	H. Duril
323	aAlvinston	Alvinston ..	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	Geo. A. Marlatt	Eli Warner, Jr.
324	aTemple	Hamilton	Second Tuesday	"	H. A. Macklean....	G. S. Bingham, M.D.
325	aOrono	Orono	Thursday on or before f. moon	"	Wm. Thompson	A. J. Lockhart
326	aZetland	Toronto.	Fourth Monday	"	John Fletcher	H. J. Craig
327	The Hammond ..	Wardsville ..	Third Tuesday	"	Jas. Buchanan	D. Johnson
328	aIonic	Napier.	Friday before f. moon	"	E. H. Hart	H. Thompson
329	aKing Solomon.....	Jarvis	Friday on or before f. moon	"	Frank W. Lilley	David Hill
330	aCorinthian	London East ..	First Tuesday	"	R. C. Hutchison....	O. E. Brener
331	aFordwich	Fordwich	Thursday on or before f. moon	"	James J. Moore	I. Baker
332	aStratford	Stratford	Second Monday	"	R. J. Sproule.	W. J. Bellamy
333	aPrince Arthur	Flesherton ..	Friday on or before f. moon	"	Walter Henderson..	A. McPherson
334	aPrince Arthur	Arthur	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	Orin D. Dewitt	W. Wingrove
335	aLangton	Langton	Monday on or before f. moon	"	P. H. Davey	John D. Gillis
336	aHighgate	Highgate	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	"	C. B. Bennett.	Wm. H. Andrews
337	aMyrtle	Pt. Robinson..	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	John E. Cohoe	D. C. Holmes
338	aDuferin	Wellandport..	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	Jas. Hewitt	Chas. E. Pette
339	aOrient	Don Mount ..	First Tuesday	"	John Gallaher.....	Alfred Brown
340	aSt. John's	Pittsburg	Wednesday before f. moon	"	A. J. Paterson	John Walker
341	aBruce	Tiverton	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	W. H. Godwin	C. D. Horne
342	aHiram	Wolfe Island..	Friday on or before f. moon	"	W. R. Mann.	H. S. Hill
343	aGeorgina.....	Sutton	Thursday on or after f. moon	"	W. H. Collins	E. T. Shaw
344	aMerrill	Dorchester Sta	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"		

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345	Nilestown	Nilestown	Tuesday on or before f. moon	Joseph Wilson	A. R. Rowat
346	aOccident	Toronto.	First Wednesday	Alfred Curran	G. M. Donovan
347	aMercer	Fergus	Thursday after f. moon	G. A. Reid	James Dass
348	aGeorgian	Penetang'sh'n	Thursday on or before f. moon	Geo. H. Wright	Chas. R. Sneath
349	aElgin	St. Thomas	Second Tuesday	Ed. Redman	A. J. Clark
352	aGranite	Parry Sound	Wednesday on or before f. moon ..	Wm. McGown	Chas. Clarke
353	aExcelsior	Colborne	First Wednesday	W. L. Payne	J. Boyer
354	aBrock	Cannington	Wednesday on or before f. moon ..	Hugh Wilson	Edward Sandison
356	aRiver Park	Streetsville	Tuesday on or before f. moon	G. H. Falconer	J. W. Rolls
357	Waterdown	Waterdown ..	Tuesday on or before f. moon	J. E. Anderson, M.D.	A. M. Robson
358	aDelaware Valley	Delaware	Friday on or before f. moon	John D. Reilly	H. C. Garnett
359	aVittoria	Vittoria	Friday on or before f. moon	D. W. McColl	John W. Stitt
360	Muskoka	Bracebridge ..	Tuesday on or before f. moon	Richard Mills	Wm. Simmons
361	aWaverley	Guelph	Fourth Tuesday	A. J. Little	R. C. Chase
362	aMaple Leaf	Tara	Monday on or before f. moon	Z. Williamson	Alex. McCulloch
363	aFrontenac	Cataqui	Tuesday on or before f. moon	Jas. H. Berry	J. L. Laycock
364	aDuferin	Melbourne ..	Wednesday on or before f. moon ..	D. A. Sinclair	A. Carruthers
366	aEuclid	Strathroy	Thursday before f. moon	Geo. McBeth	R. S. McGowan
367	St. George	Toronto	First Friday	W. J. Gay	Wm. Bell
368	Salem	Brockville ..	Second Monday	J. A. Stayner	P. W. D. Broderick
369	aMimico	Lambton	Tuesday before f. moon	John D. Evans	J. M. Colton, M. D.
370	Harmony	Delta	Wednesday on or after f. moon ...	Omer Brown	Alex. Stevens
371	aPrince of Wales	Ottawa	Second Thursday	Wm. Northwood	J. J. Mulligan
372	aPalmer	Victoria	Tuesday on or after f. moon	Alfred Hurrell	Wm. Thompson
373	aCopestone	Welland	First Thursday	I. P. Wilson	W. G. Somerville
374	aKeene	Keene	Thursday on or before f. moon	John M. Shaw, M.D.	Kenward Mark

375	a Lorne	Omenee ...	First Thursday	monthly	Chas. Cornell.....	John A. Calder
376	a Unity	Huntsville...	First Wednesday	"	B. G. Beattie... ..	Chris. Peacock
377	a Lorne	Shelburne...	Wednesday after f. moon	"	F. A. Campbell...	Alex. Smith
378	a King Solomon's	Petersville...	Third Wednesday	"	Wm. Duff	Wm. Nicholls
379	a Middlesex	Bryanston...	Wednesday on or before f. moon ..	"	D. McPherson	J. Nicholson
380	a Union	London.....	Second Monday	"	A. C. Stewart	Geo. Hampton
382	Doric	Hamilton ..	Third Monday	"	Jas. Cheyne	C. V. Emory, M.D.
383	a Henderson	W. Winchester	First Tuesday	"	Arch. Tripp	E. L. White
384	a Alpha	Parkdale ..	First Thursday	"	J. E. Verral	Wm. C. Beddome
385	a Spy	Beeton	Wednesday on or after f. moon ..	"	G. N. Clark	W. H. Hammell
386	a McColl	West Lorne..	Wednesday after f. moon	"	Peter Stalker.....	Jas. Hind
387	Lansdowne	Lansdowne ..	Thursday on or before f. moon	"	Charles Stewart	Rev. S. Tighe
388	Henderson	Illderton ..	Monday on or before f. moon	"	J. D. O'Neil	Thos. Oliver
389	a Crystal Fountain ..	N. Augusta ..	Wednesday on or before f. moon ..	"	John H. McCully...	R. H. Halladay
390	a Florence	Florence	Thursday on or before f. moon	"	W. E. Morton	I. Unsworth
391	a Howard	Ridgetown ..	Monday on or before f. moon	"	D. Cochrane	R. W. Youngs
392	a Huron	Camelachie..	Wednesday on or after f. moon ..	"	John Ferguson.....	J. K. Cairns
393	Forest	Chesley.....	First Tuesday	"	Geo. Knowlton	J. M. Stewart, M.D.
394	King Solomon	Thamesford..	Wednesday on and after f. moon ..	"	J. D. McNee	E. A. Dundass
395	Parvaim	Comber	Thursday on or before f. moon	"	W. A. McIntosh.....	C. L. McDermott
396	a Cedar	Warton.....	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	H. W. Hicks	Frank S. Jennings
397	a Leopold	Brigden	Tuesday on or after f. moon	"	F. K. Seagar, M.D..	Wm. Manley
398	a Victoria	Victoria Road	Second Tuesday	"	Andrewso Paterson..	L. Matchett
399	Moffat	Harrietsville.	Wednesday on or before f. moon ..	"	Richard Thomas...	F. Kunz
400	a Oakville	Oakville	Tuesday on or before f. moon	"	James Andrew	Henry Wilson
401	a Craig	Desoronto ..	First Tuesday	"	Geo. Clinton, M.D..	W. D. McRae
402	a Central	Essex Centre ..	Wednesday on or before f. moon ..	"	Wm. Church.....	John Dewar
403	a Windsor	Windsor	Second Wednesday	"	Geo. Adams	Geo. P. Van Sickle
404	Lorne	Tamworth. ..	Third Tuesday	"	Geo. M. Richardson.	Jas. F. Sherman
405	a Mattawa	Mattawa	First Tuesday	"	W. Hogarth.....	C. P. Westgate
406	a The Spry	Fenelon Falls	First Friday	"	Alex. S. Hart.....	F. McDougall
407	a Manitoulin	Gore Bay	Monday on or after f. moon	"	J. Johnston	Jas. M. Fraser

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408	Murray	Beaverton ...	First Wednesday	Alex. P. Cockburn..	John Leslie
409	Golden Rule.....	Gravenhurst..	Monday on or before f. moon.....	W. B. Irving.....	Geo. Tolen
410	αZeta.	Parkdale	Fourth Thursday	Chas. F. Mansell ...	W. L. Weatherly
411	Rodney	Rodney.....	Thursday on or before f. moon....	T. W. Kirkpatrick..	Wm. Morris
412	Keystone	S. Ste. Marie..	Tuesday on or before f. moon	E. Biggins	R. H. Carney
413	Naphtali.....	TilburyCentre	Tuesday on or before f. moon	Wm. E. Bottoms....	John K. Bryden
414	Pequonga	Rat Portage..	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	Wm. H. Carpenter..	Fred. C. Perry
415	Fort William	Fort William..	Wednesday on or before f. moon..	Norman H. Fields..	C. M. Taylor
416	Lyn.....	Lyn	Tuesday on or after f. moon.....	John A. Warren	Robt. A. Mather
417	Keewatin	Keewatin Mts	First Friday	Samuel Henry	
U.D	Maxville	Maxville	Second Friday.....	Jas. McIntyre	
U.D	Point Edward.....	Point Edward	Second Monday		

LIST OF LODGES—BY DISTRICTS.

ERIE DISTRICT, No. 1 (23.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. R. M. Stuart, Dresden.

No.	34, Thistle	Amherstburg.
"	41, St. George	Kingsville.
"	46, Wellington	Chatham.
"	47, Great Western	Windsor.
"	80, Albion	Newbury.
"	179, Bothwell	Bothwell.
"	245, Tecumseh	Thamesville.
"	255, Sydenham	Dresden.
"	267, Parthenon	Chatham.
"	274, Kent	Blenheim.
"	282, Lorne	Glencoe.
"	290, Leamington	Leamington.
"	295, Parvaim	Comber.
"	312, Pynx	Wallaceburg.
"	327, The Hammond	Wardsville.
"	336, Highgate	Highgate.
"	386, McColl	West Lorne.
"	390, Florence	Florence.
"	391, Howard	Ridgetown.
"	402, Central	Essex Centre.
"	403, Windsor	Windsor.
"	411, Rodney	Rodney.
"	413, Naphtali	Tilbury Centre.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT, No. 2. (19.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Jas. Newell, M. D., Wyoming.

No.	56, Victoria	Sarnia.
"	81, St. John's	Mt. Brydges.
"	83, Beaver	Strathroy.
"	116, Cassia	Thedford.
"	153, Burns	Wyoming.
"	158, Alexandra	Oil Springs.
"	194, Petrolia	Petrolia.
"	238, Havelock	Watford.

No. 260,	Washington..	Petrolia.
" 263,	Forest..	Forest.
" 294,	Moore.....	Mooretown,
" 307,	Arkona.....	Arkona.
" 323,	Alvinston.....	Alvinston.
" 328,	Ionic.....	Napier,
" 364,	Dufferin.....	Melbourne.
" 366,	Euclid	Strathroy
" 392,	Huron..	Camlachie.
" 397,	Leopold.....	Brigden.
U. D. Point Edward.....	Point Edward.	

LONDON DISTRICT, No. 3. (29.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. C. N. Spencer, London.

No. 20,	St. John's.....	London.
" 42,	St. George's.....	London.
" 44,	St. Thomas.....	St. Thomas.
" 64,	Kilwinning.....	London.
" 94,	St. Mark's.....	Port Stanley.
" 107,	St. Paul's.....	Lambeth.
" 120,	Warren.....	Fingal.
" 140,	Malahide.....	Aylmer.
" 171,	Prince of Wales.....	Iona.
" 176,	Spartan.....	Sparta.
" 190,	Belmont.....	Belmont.
" 195,	Tuscan.....	London.
" 209a,	St. John's.....	London.
" 232,	Cameron.....	Wallacetown.
" 259,	Springfield.....	Springfield.
" 289,	Doric.....	Lobo.
" 300,	Mt. Olivet.....	Thorndale.
" 302,	St. David's.....	St. Thomas.
" 330,	Corinthian.....	London East.
" 344,	Merrill.....	Dorchester Station.
" 345,	Nilestown.....	Nilestown.
" 349,	Elgin.....	St. Thomas.
" 358,	Delaware Valley.....	Delaware.
" 378,	King Solomon's.....	Petersville.

- No. 379, Middlesex..... Bryanston.
 “ 380, Union..... London.
 “ 388, Henderson..... Ilderton.
 “ 394, King Solomon..... Thamesville.
 “ 399, Moffat..... Harrietsville.

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT, No. 4. (16.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. C. McLellan, Stratford.

- No. 33, Maitland..... Goderich.
 “ 73, St. James'..... St. Marys.
 “ 84, Clinton..... Clinton.
 “ 133, Lebanon Forest..... Exeter.
 “ 141, Tudor..... Mitchell.
 “ 144, Tecumseh..... Stratford.
 “ 154, Irving..... Lucan.
 “ 170, Britannia..... Seaforth.
 “ 205, New Dominion..... New Hamburg.
 “ 214, Craig..... Ailsa Craig.
 “ 224, Zurich..... Hensall.
 “ 233, Doric..... Park Hill.
 “ 303, Blyth..... Blyth.
 “ 309, Morning Star..... Smith's Hill.
 “ 318, Wilmot..... Baden.
 “ 332, Stratford..... Stratford.

NORTH HURON DISTRICT, No. 5. (15.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. E. E. Wade, Brussels.

- No. 93, Northern Light..... Kincardine.
 “ 131, St Lawrence..... Southampton.
 “ 162, Forest..... Wroxeter.
 “ 184, Old Light..... Lucknow.
 “ 197, Saugeen..... Walkerton.
 “ 225, Bernard..... Listowel.
 “ 235, Aldworth..... Paisley.
 “ 276, Teeswater..... Teeswater.
 “ 284, St. John's..... Brussels.
 “ 286, Wingham..... Wingham.
 “ 337, Fordwich..... Fordwich.

No.	341, Bruce.....	Tiverton.
"	362, Maple Leaf.....	Tara.
"	393, Forest.....	Chesley.
"	396, Cedar.....	Wiarnton.

WILSON DISTRICT, No. 6. (23.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. J. C. Hegler, Ingersoll.

No.	10, Norfolk..	Simcoe.
"	37, King Hiram.....	Ingersoll.
"	43, King Solomon.....	Woodstock.
"	68, St. John's.....	Ingersoll.
"	76, Oxford.....	Woodstock.
"	78, King Hiram.....	Tilsonburg.
"	82, St. John's.....	Paris.
"	95, Ridout.....	Otterville.
"	104, St. John's.....	Norwich.
"	106, Burford.....	Burford.
"	108, Blenheim.....	Drumbo.
"	113, Wilson	Waterford.
"	149, Erie.....	Port Dover.
"	174, Walsingham....	Port Rowan.
"	178, Plattsville.....	Plattsville.
"	181, Oriental....	Port Burwell.
"	193, Scotland.....	Scotland.
"	217, Frederick.....	Delhi.
"	237, Vienna.....	Vienna.
"	250, Thistle.....	Embro.
"	251, Oak Branch....	Innerkip.
"	335, Langton..	Langton.
"	359, Vittoria....	Vittoria.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT, No. 7. (20.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Andrew Jardine, Hespeler.

No.	72, Alma.....	Galt.
"	151, The Grand River.....	Berlin.
"	172, Ayr.....	Ayr.
"	180, Speed	Guelph.
"	200, St. Alban's.....	Mount Forest.

No.	203,	Irvine.....	Elora.
"	216,	Harris.....	Orangeville.
"	258,	Guelph.....	Guelph.
"	259,	Galt.....	Galt.
"	262,	Harriston..	Harriston.
"	271,	Wellington.....	Erin.
"	279,	New Hope.....	Hespeler.
"	295,	Conestogo.....	Drayton.
"	297,	Preston.....	Preston.
"	306,	Durham.....	Durham.
"	314,	Blair.....	Palmerston.
"	315,	Clifford.....	Clifford.
"	334,	Prince Arthur.....	Arthur.
"	347,	Mercer.....	Fergus.
"	361,	Waverley.....	Guelph.

HAMILTON DISTRICT, No. 8. (21.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Geo. Russell, Hamilton.

No.	6,	Barton.....	Hamilton.
"	27,	Strict Observance....	Hamilton.
"	40,	St. John's.....	Hamilton.
"	45,	Brant.....	Brantford.
"	57,	Harmony.....	Binbrook.
"	61,	Acacia.....	Hamilton.
"	62,	St. Andrew's.....	Caledonia.
"	100,	Valley.....	Dundas.
"	121,	Doric.....	Brantford
"	135,	St. Clair.....	Milton.
"	165,	Burlington.....	Burlington.
"	166,	Wentworth.....	Stoney Creek.
"	219,	Credit.....	Georgetown.
"	243,	St. George.....	St. George.
"	272,	Seymour.....	Ancaster.
"	291,	Dufferin.....	West Flamboro'.
"	321,	Walker.....	Acton West.
"	324,	Temple.....	Hamilton.
"	357,	Waterdown.....	Waterdown.

No. 382,	Doric.....	Hamilton.
" 400,	Oakville.....	Oakville.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT, No. 9. (24.)

D. D. G. M.—K. W. Bro. Hy. Jennings, Penetanguishene.

No. 79,	Simcoe.....	Bradford.
" 88,	St. George's.....	Owen Sound.
" 90,	Manito.....	Collingwood.
" 96,	Corinthian.....	Barrie.
" 98,	True Blue.....	Albion.
" 137,	Pythagoras.....	Meaford.
" 192,	Orillia.....	Orillia.
" 230,	Kerr.....	Barrie.
" 234,	Beaver.....	Clarksburg.
" 236,	Manitoba	Cookstown.
" 249,	Caledonian.....	Midland.
" 266,	Northern.....	Stayner.
" 281,	Thorne.....	Orillia.
" 285,	Seven Star.....	Alliston.
" 304,	Minerva.....	Stroud.
" 322,	North Star.....	Owen Sound.
" 333,	Prince Arthur.....	Flesherton.
" 348,	Georgian.....	Penetanguishene.
" 352,	Granite....	Parry Sound.
" 360,	Muskoka.....	Bracebridge.
" 375,	Unity.....	Huntsville.
" 377,	Lorne.....	Shelburne.
" 385,	Spry.....	Beeton.
" 409,	Golden Rule.....	Gravenhurst.

NIAGARA DISTRICT, NO. 10. (22.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. C. G. McDermott, St. Catharines.

No. 2,	Niagara.....	Niagara.
" 7,	Union.....	Grimsby.
" 15,	St. George's.....	St. Catharines.
" 32,	Amity	Dunnville.
" 35,	St. John's.....	Cayuga
" 36,	Welland.....	Fonthill.
" 103,	Maple Leaf.....	St. Catharines

No. 105,	St. Mark's.....	Drummondville.
" 115,	Ivy.....	Beamsville.
" 168,	Merritt.....	Welland.
" 169,	Macnab.....	Port Colborne.
" 185,	Enniskillen.....	York.
" 221,	Mountain.....	Thorold.
" 254,	Clifton.....	Niagara Falls.
" 277,	Seymour.....	Port Dalhousie.
" 296,	Temple.....	St. Catharines.
" 319,	Hiram.....	Hagersville.
" 329,	King Solomon..	Jarvis.
" 337,	Myrtle.....	Port Robinson.
" 348,	Dufferin.....	Welland Port.
" 372,	Palmer.....	Victoria.
" 373,	Copestone.....	Welland.

TORONTO DISTRICT NO. II. (35.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Toronto.

No. 16,	St. Andrew's.....	Toronto.
" 22,	King Solomon's.....	Toronto.
" 23,	Richmond.....	Richmond Hill.
" 25,	Ionic.....	Toronto.
" 54,	Vaughan.....	Maple.
" 65,	Rehoboam..	Toronto.
" 75,	St. John's.....	Toronto.
" 86,	Wilson.....	Toronto.
" 87,	Markham Union....	Markham.
" 97,	Sharon.....	Sharon.
" 99,	Tuscan..	Newmarket.
" 118,	Union.....	Schomberg.
" 129,	The Rising Sun.....	Aurora.
" 136,	Richardson .	Stouffville.
" 156,	York.....	Eglington.
" 218,	Stevenson.....	Toronto.
" 220,	Zeredatha.....	Uxbridge.
" 229,	Ionic..	Brampton.
" 247,	Ashlar.....	Toronto.
" 265,	Patterson..	Thornhill.

No. 269,	Brougham.....	Brougham.
" 292,	Robertson.....	Nobleton.
" 305,	Humber.....	Weston.
" 311,	Blackwood.....	Woodbridge.
" 316,	Doric.....	Toronto.
" 326,	Zetland.....	Toronto.
" 339,	Orient.....	Toronto.
" 343,	Georgina.....	Sutton.
" 346,	Occident.....	Toronto.
" 354,	Brock.....	Cannington.
" 356,	River Park.....	Streetsville.
" 367,	St. George.....	Toronto.
" 369,	Mimico.....	Islington.
" 385,	Alpha.....	Parkdale.
" 410,	Zeta.....	Parkdale.

ONTARIO DISTRICT, No. 12. (23.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. B. Shortley, Peterborough.

No. 26,	Ontario.....	Port Hope.
" 30,	Composite..	Whitby.
" 31,	Jerusalem.....	Bowmanville.
" 39,	Mount Zion.....	Brooklin.
" 66,	Durham.....	Newcastle.
" 77,	Faithful Brethren.....	Lindsay.
" 101,	Corinthian..	Peterborough.
" 114,	Hope.....	Port Hope.
" 139,	Lebanon.....	Oshawa.
" 145,	J. B. Hall.....	Millbrook.
" 150,	Hastings.....	Hastings.
" 155,	Peterborough.....	Peterborough.
" 183,	Prince Albert.....	Port Perry.
" 223,	Norwood.....	Norwood.
" 268,	Verulam..	Bobcaygeon.
" 270,	Cedar.....	Oshawa.
" 313,	Clementi....	Lakefield.
" 325,	Orono.....	Orono.
" 374,	Keene.....	Keene.
" 375,	Lorne.....	Omeme.

- No. 398, Victoria.....Victoria Road.
 “ 406, The Spry.....Fenelon Falls.
 “ 408, Murray.....Beaverton.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT, No. 13. (23.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Wm. Smeaton, Belleville.

- No. 11, Moira.....Belleville.
 “ 17, St. John'sCobourg.
 “ 18, Prince Edward.....Picton.
 “ 29, United.....Brighton
 “ 38, Trent.....Trenton.
 “ 48, Madoc.....Madoc.
 “ 50, Consecon.....Consecon.
 “ 69, Stirling.....Stirling.
 “ 91, Colborne.....Colborne.
 “ 123, The Belleville.....Belleville.
 “ 126, Golden Rule.....Campbellford.
 “ 127, Franck.....Frankfort.
 “ 161, Percy.....Warkworth.
 “ 164, Star in the East.....Wellington.
 “ 215, Lake.....Ameliasburg.
 “ 222, Marmora.....Marmora.
 “ 239, Tweed.....Tweed.
 “ 241, Quinte.....Shannonville.
 “ 278, Mystic.....Roslin.
 “ 283, Eureka.....Belleville.
 “ 308, Grafton.....Grafton.
 “ 353, Excelsior.....Colborne.
 “ 401, Craig.....Deseronto.

FRONTENAC DISTRICT, No. 14. (18.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. Fred. Welch, Kingston.

- No. 3, The Ancient St. John's.....Kingston.
 “ 9, Union.....Napanee.
 “ 92, Cataraqui.....Kingston.
 “ 109, Albion.....Harrowsmith.
 “ 119, Maple Leaf.....Bath.
 “ 146, Prince of Wales.....Newburgh.

No.	157,	Simpson.....	Newboro.
"	189,	Filius Viduæ.....	Adolphustown.
"	201,	Leeds.....	Gananoque.
"	212,	Elysian.....	Garden Island.
"	229,	Prince Arthur.....	Odessa.
"	253,	Minden.....	Kingston.
"	280,	Mount Sinai.....	Napanee.
"	299,	Victoria.....	Centreville.
"	340,	St. John's.....	Pittsburg.
"	342,	Hiram.....	Wolfe Island.
"	363,	Frontenac.....	Cataraqui.
"	404,	Lorne.....	Tamworth.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT, No. 15. (21.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. J. M. Sinclair, Delta.

No.	5,	Sussex.....	Brockville.
"	14,	True Britons.....	Perth.
"	24,	St. Francis.....	Smith's Falls.
"	28,	Mount Zion.....	Kemptville.
"	55,	Merrickville.....	Merrickville.
"	74,	St. James'.....	Maitland.
"	85,	Rising Sun.....	Farmersville.
"	110,	Central.....	Prescott.
"	125,	Cornwall.....	Cornwall.
"	142,	Excelsior.....	Morrisburg.
"	143,	Friendly Brothers.....	Iroquois.
"	207,	Lancaster.....	Lancaster.
"	242,	Macoy.....	Mallorytown.
"	256,	Farran's Point.....	Farran's Point.
"	320,	Chesterville.....	Chesterville.
"	368,	Salem.....	Brockville.
"	370,	Harmony.....	Delta.
"	383,	Henderson.....	West Winchester.
"	387,	Lansdowne.....	Lansdowne.
"	389,	Crystal Fountain.....	North Augusta.
"	416,	Lyn.....	Lyn.

OTTAWA DISTRICT NO. 16. (18.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. David Taylor, Ottawa.

No.	52, Dalhousie.....	Ottawa.
"	58, Doric.....	Ottawa.
"	63, St John's.....	Carleton Place.
"	121, Renfrew.....	Renfrew.
"	128, Pembroke.....	Pembroke.
"	147, Mississippi.....	Almonte.
"	148, Civil Service.....	Ottawa.
"	159, Goodwood.....	Richmond.
"	177, The Builders'.....	Ottawa.
"	186, Plantagenet.....	Plantagenet.
"	196, Madawaska.....	Arnprior.
"	209, Evergreen.....	Lanark.
"	210, Hawkesbury.....	Hawkesbury.
"	231, Lodge of Fidelity.....	Ottawa.
"	264, Chaudiere.....	Ottawa.
"	371, Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa.
"	405, Mattawa.....	Mattawa.
U. D.	Maxville.....	Maxville.

ALGOMA DISTRICT NO. 17. (6.)

D. D. G. M.—R. W. Bro. A. W. Thompson, Port Arthur.

No.	287, Shuniah.....	Fort Arthur.
"	407, Manitoulin.....	Gore Bay.
"	412, Keystone.....	Sault Ste. Marie.
"	414, Pequonga.....	Rat Portage.
"	415, Fort William.....	Fort William.
U. D.,	Keewatin.....	Keewatin Mills.

NOT ATTACHED TO ANY DISTRICT.

No. 293, The Royal Solomon Mother, Jerusalem, Palestine.

RECAPITULATION.

Erie	District, No.	1.....	23 Lodges.
St. Clair	" "	2.....	19 "
London	" "	3.....	29 "
South Huron	" "	4.....	16 "

North Huron District No. 5	15	Lodges.
Wilson " " 6	23	"
Wellington " " 7	20	"
Hamilton " " 8	21	"
Georgian " " 9	24	"
Niagara " " 10	22	"
Toronto " " 11	35	"
Ontario " " 12	23	"
Prince Edward " " 13	23	"
Frontenac " " 14	18	"
St. Lawrence " " 15	21	"
Ottawa " " 16	18	"
Algoma " " 17	6	"
Unattached	1	"
Total	357	"

EXPULSIONS.

No. of
Lodge.

262—James Brown.

366—J. T. Ackroid.

SUSPENSIONS—UNMASONIC CONDUCT.

No. of
Lodge.

46—Oliver H. P. Allen.

69—John McCaw, Sr.

104—Frank Winters.

267—R. J. Halle.

361—W. J. Sparkman, Chas. Kirk.

389—R. R. Raycroft.

SUSPENSIONS—NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

No. of
Lodge.2—W. J. Merritt, W. H. Kruser, R. M. Fisher, Wm. Alford,
Neil Black.3—C. H. Corbett, W. A. Gunn, P. B. Clark, H. E. Swales,
John Shepherd.

5—R. G. Mason, Alex. Forrest, Ezra McDougall, R. Gates.

10—F. Emerick, B. F. Chadwick.

- 11—Wm. Davis, W. A. McCamon, Wm. Ferrian, A. E. Davis,
F. B. Overall.
- 14—W. H. Stone, J. W. Rowatt, G. A. Gamsby, B. Cromack,
R. Balderson.
- 15—G. C. Bonodaile, C. Bradley, John D. Crow, F. Hill,
J. C. McPhee.
- 16—Jno. Armstrong, T. D. Beddoe, A. H. Ellis, E. D.
Flanagan, Geo. Thomas.
- 17—Robt. Murray, A. Gowans, G. Beatty, D. Robertson.
- 20—F. H. Butler, Chas. Chapman, L. Eckley, C. W. Gordon,
G. Plaxton, Jas. Raferty, R. Vance, Jas. Wyatt.
- 22—L. J. Barwick, C. F. A. Kochler, A. J. Marshall, W. F.
McCaw, T. O'Leary, Jno. Perkins, J. A. Roche,
Hy. Sanson.
- 27—W. L. Hubbard, W. Prentice.
- 36—J. Ward, W. Ryan, I. Armhurst, C. R. Morrow.
- 38—G. H. Gordon, A. Parent, J. E. Smith, J. M. Hall, L.
Cruickshanks.
- 42—Rich'd P. Wright, A. Hardy.
- 43—W. B. Teeple, T. W. McKee, T. Clements, F. Pelcher,
A. M. Hall.
- 44—Wesley Webb, W. H. Minor, Chas. Roe.
- 45—E. Kester, T. S. Wade, J. B. Waugh.
- 46—W. E. Brown, S. W. Law, J. Stirling, J. Richardson,
Robt. Park, W. E. Cunningham, G. H. Hall, G. S.
McLean.
- 48—Wm. Breaknell.
- 50—J. G. German, Robt. Pye, R. J. Osborne, D. H. Weeks.
- 54—A. Laird, W. Laggart, J. H. Snider, W. Pengally, W. H.
Bolitho, S. Blain.
- 56—C. J. Ellison, G. S. McLean.
- 61—M. Richardson, F. Kittyle, W. S. J. T. Silver, Wm. L.
Silver.
- 65—D. Sleeth, J. Patterson, T. B. Moore, C. Watt, W. P.
Henderson, W. A. Law, C. Sheppard, J. Baylis.
- 68—Jas. Simpson, L. Monk, Wm. Delaney, Wm. Rice, J. W.
Hadcock, W. C. Allison, J. Snell, J. McKay, Wm.
Freightner, J. F. McMichael, Thos. Seldon.

- 69—J. S. Black, J. Booth, W. Sine, G. W. Faulkner, W. McMillan, R. E. Campion, Jas. Johnston.
- 72—L. Skinner, J. E. Eby, J. Heatherington, P. F. Findall, W. A. Foley, Wm. Coutts, Wm. Philip, W. E. Johnston, R. Marshall.
- 73—Wm. Hylands, John Pugh, Wm. H. Gilbert.
- 75—Geo. Eakin, D. Ferguson, W. T. Brownridge.
- 82—H. Taylor, W. Lemon.
- 83—W. H. Case.
- 84—H. Scott, T. Beacom, A. W. Keeting, C. F. Roche, R. H. Kemp, John Macwhister.
- 86—G. C. Mocre, C. W. Henderson, G. Smith, C. Knisor, J. Gawett, S. Hunter, L. McNeil, Jas. Allen.
- 87—A. D. Smith, E. G. Knill, A. Pringle, W. Robinson, A. Vanbusick.
- 90—Chas. Cameron, J. A. Castor, T. F. White.
- 93—Wm. McKenzie, J. P. Wright, R. Reid.
- 96—A. Fraser, D. Farquharson, B. McDermot, W. B. Harvey.
- 97—Wm. Hill, J. D. Graham, J. D. Smith, J. Robinson.
- 99—H. Pretty, H. M. Playter, N. F. H. Foote, A. M. Hood, W. H. Ashworth, J. J. Renwick.
- 109—Peter Vanluven.
- 110—A. McCollough, Jehiel Tinkess, B. McCoy, F. Brunning.
- 115—E. Bulgin, W. H. Decatur, J. Gabriel, H. A. Tufford.
- 116—W. Cornell.
- 120—W. S. Morse, C. W. Stafford, A. C. Keillor, C. M. Caughill.
- 128—J. C. Currie, A. Irving, Jr., T. Knight, D. McLean, S. Tongue.
- 129—J. T. Bond, J. Holladay, Wm. Bruce, G. T. King, S. Harris.
- 133—W. H. Coulson, W. Grant, J. Hyndman, A. A. Hobkirk, A. H. Hyndman, A. McTavish, A. Naismith, W. B. Selley.
- 148—J. J. Gemmell, G. McMicken, O. King, D. C. F. Bliss.
- 149—J. R. Riddell, A. F. Parker, J. E. Decou, J. P. Featherstone.
- 153—A. T. Hill.
- 155—Philip C. Foy.

- 156—Geo. H. Long, Jas. Warwood.
 165—Jas. Ewing, John Creighton, W. Kearn.
 168—D. E. Evans, J. E. Whaley, Wm. Minnis.
 170—D. Ritchie.
 177—J. W. Whiteford, J. T. Waldon.
 178—Fred'k J. Zingg.
 180—Wm. Day, F. Small, Hy. Sweet, Thos. C. Rundell.
 181—A. D. Merrill.
 184—D. McKinnon, W. R. Tomkins, Robt. Clendenning, W. H. Treleaven, W. J. Hamlin, P. Steep, W. McKenzie, G. B. Smyth, John McHardy.
 190—Jno. Kernott, Jas. Flowers, W. F. Luton.
 194—D. McNaughton.
 195—M. Kew, A. P. Tregent, Wm. Lind, F. B. Wilkinson.
 197—Wm. C. Moffat.
 200—W. J. Calvin, W. Evans, J. T. Kilgour.
 203—Robt. Hall, J. Gibson, J. Milner, J. Bain, P. E. Simpson, W. Cowie.
 209a—W. J. L. Howes, T. J. Heard, T. W. Mitchell, R. Dennis, H. A. McLean, P. H. Richardson.
 218—W. Anderson, J. S. Bell, D. Clark, A. Mainwaring, John Stephens, A. A. Stinson, Jno. Turner, J. Thorne, H. J. Wood, T. Wood, D. H. Dow, Jas. Martin, N. J. Dorrien, Jas. Kelly, R. Fraser, W. J. Lee, C. Willband, C. L. Lancaster, J. W. Watson, Geo. Wood.
 220—John G. Vicars, W. M. Dafoe.
 221—Jas. Arnold, Jas. Weeks, Thos. Williamson, J. Walker, H. A. Smith, John Cloy, W. L. Nicol.
 222—John F. Purdy.
 224—Chas. Crieman, Hy. Arth, A. B. McLean.
 225—Wm. Little, T. S. Smith, Hy. Jones, T. G. Fennell.
 228—John Gallaher, Peter A. Mabee, Chas. A. Graham, S. V. Perry.
 233—A. Martell, Andrew Hutson, John Morris, W. Stauffer, H. H. Kittridge.
 236—Thos. Phillips, W. H. Dickson, Jas. Matchett, I. Boyd.
 247—Robt. Coghill, W. P. Lyon.

- 250—J. G. Anderson, Jas. Campbell, P. Mitchell, A. McDonald, Jas. McKay, G. McKay, Hy. Pelton, John Ross, John Ross, R. McDonald, T. G. Witkerson, John McLeod, L. H. McDonald, D. M. McPherson.
- 253—J. M. Pollock, D. McNaughton, J. O. Gardiner.
- 254—Jas. H. Kalar, R. M. Gilkison, T. Munford, Thos. Goods, Geo. R. Flook, T. H. Young, D. Morrison, Jas. W. Oliver, Thos. McKee, John Murray, Chas. Newman.
- 255—J. Boag, H. S. Hughes.
- 257—G. Walters.
- 258—J. C. McLaggan.
- 267—A. M. Crowell, C. W. Cunningham, W. Gragg, W. E. Gallagher, J. L. Hall, W. C. Kennedy, C. Luxton, C. W. Raymond, L. J. Robertson, J. Scott, Wm. Wemp.
- 271—S. Ditts, B. Franklin, Wm. Harkness, Wm. Muirhead, W. H. Gand.
- 272—Jno. Jackson, R. S. Guest, Jas. Fields.
- 274—P. C. Lumley, C. Robinson.
- 279—G. H. Cliff, G. Bolduc, C. Allendorf.
- 284—A. R. Morris, Jas. Watson, E. B. Burt.
- 289—W. B. Charlton, Wm. Russell, G. H. Wade.
- 290—H. Ruthven, W. F. McKenzie, J. Robson, Joseph McCrackin, F. C. Qualhlens, T. Nicol, J. D. Kimball, G. Callison, F. Wilkinson, James McCrackin, E. Younglove, S. J. Root, J. Davidson, Jas. Baker.
- 291—C. Epps.
- 295—John A. Beldon, V. R. Adams.
- 302—J. P. Freek, W. H. Kells, J. Marlatt.
- 305—Robt. McIntyre, Jno. McDonald, Saml. C. Lane, J. W. J. Humphries.
- 306—Peter Cole, John McRae.
- 307—A. Cornell.
- 311—J. McKinley, A. Todd, W. McKie, John Watt, Jr., H. Gourley, W. Bishop.
- 313—Jas. Blaundell.
- 314—T. McDermond, H. Donnelly, G. Elliott.

- 316—Joseph Compton, E. R. Doward, T. Lalor, Hy. Lucas.
 319—Daniel Forsyth.
 322—A. B. Lang, J. B. Lang, W. R. Stevenson.
 325—W. H. May.
 326—Jas. Johnson, J. T. Jones, J. R. McMillan.
 328—T. F. Hawken, T. Humble, Chs. Foster, Wm. Richardson, Archd. Sherriff.
 330—S. A. Adams, J. Ross, J. McKnight, J. T. Herriott, W. C. Bullock, Thos. Cobleigh.
 331—Peter Barr.
 334—T. F. Hollinger, R. Ferrier, T. J. Neil, J. C. Reid, E. McHardy, M. J. Byrne.
 339—W. F. Collins, G. Leslie, Jr., C. Sheppard, R. Scales, T. J. Whitesides.
 343—John Sowerby.
 344—A. Appleton, John Richardson, Joshua Coult, E. S. Jarvis, Jas. Beattie, Jas. Westoby, W. S. Niles.
 346—G. Cranshaw, John McCamus.
 348—Hy. S. Ruby, Geo. A. Huff, Chas. Cameron, Saml. Mills, Jas. Firth, Robt. Parker.
 354—A. C. Langton, W. A. Silverwood, J. Davidson, J. H. Lacey.
 356—R. Barber, T. Walker, W. Elliott, C. L. Owens.
 358—J. Greenslade.
 359—E. Tisdall, W. Brownlee.
 361—John Turnbull, H. McGuire.
 362—James Cumming.
 364—M. McIntyre, M. Brodie, Jas. Tecumseh, W. Chisholm, D. McAlpine, J. G. Coots.
 366—S. Tomlinson.
 368—R. C. Jamieson, H. F. Bohl.
 369—John Shean, C. Jones.
 371—Thos. Porter.
 372—E. J. Burton, A. Green.
 373—A. B. Cook, J. E. Lennon, G. Andrews.
 377—A. Cassils, John Nichols, M. Howes, R. Morton, D. Brown, W. E. Morton, T. J. Patton, J. Constable.

- 378—C. S. Corrigan, R. R. Symonds, S. R. Balkwell, B. B. Keefer, A. Smart, J. Stevenson, W. J. Pearce, J. McLellan.
- 382—Edward Egan, C. Pitcher, W. F. Collier, T. Richmond, J. R. Rutherford.
- 394—T. H. Shearn, R. H. Forkington.
- 399—G. Teskey, J. Robins.
- 402—R. Thomson, G. W. Johnson, L. E. Sheppard, G. Stevenson.
- 403—R. W. Johnston.

RESTORATIONS.

No. of
Lodge.

- 3—D. Robertson, J. A. Wilson.
- 5—John Armstrong, J. W. Jameson.
- 6—Joseph Parker.
- 9—E. K. Bowen, S. McL. Detlor.
- 16—Thos. Ridout, E. P. Coulman.
- 17—Geo. Beatty.
- 18—A. Dame, A. J. Corkindale.
- 20—F. H. Butler.
- 22—T. O'Leary.
- 26—J. H. Hawkins.
- 32—G. S. Middough, R. B. Patterson, M. J. Hanry.
- 33—John Knox.
- 39—G. H. Harper.
- 40—J. F. Holman, A. Forrester.
- 42—J. M. Longan.
- 45—John Jenkins, E. Kester, T. S. Wade.
- 46—Jos. H. Bell.
- 47—J. W. Carmichael, H. D. Ellis.
- 55—W. H. McCrea, Hy. Johnston.
- 58—A. P. Patrick.
- 62—Jas. Trotter.
- 64—H. W. Crock.
- 65—Jas. McQuillan.
- 68—W. McDowell, W. Partlow, Jas. Stevens, Jas. Fraser.
- 69—Jas. V. Brown.
- 73—R. B. Harstone, Robt. Begg.

- 75—F. C. Featherstonhaugh.
76—Thos. Walker, Chas. Evans.
77—Chas. S. Jewett.
83—Thos. Hollahan, H. P. Fuller.
84—J. A. Rutledge.
87—A. D. Smith.
90—Jas. D. McGee.
91—W. L. King.
92—Frederick Scobell.
96—A. G. Waters, R. Marpole.
99—S. Roadhouse.
101—W. R. Russell.
103—John Dale, W. H. Andrews, W. H. Fletcher.
104—E. C. McLees, C. E. Burgess.
105—Hiram Bender.
107—Chas. F. Knapp.
109—Wm. Cannon.
122—D. McNicol.
127—M. Harrison.
128—T. E. Lloyd.
131—S. L. Sherlock.
137—J. S. Raper.
139—C. Warren, S. A. Lee.
142—A. C. Hartwell, A. Casselman.
154—Thos. Freeborn.
168—M. Springer, S. H. Glasgow.
169—R. W. Boyle, J. S. Armitage.
178—C. A. Livingstone.
180—Thos. L. Galor.
181—D. M. Foster, Wm. H. Cudney.
183—Abner Hurd, John Currie.
184—John McHardy.
192—R. A. James, Wm. Harley, Geo. Berry.
197—John Hurrell, Geo. Bridges.
200—M. A. Ferguson.
209a—P. H. Richardson, W. Riddell.
216—John Flesher, J. H. Brownell.
218—J. Stevens, Jas. Martin, A. A. Stinson, Geo. Watson.

- 221—Isaac Usher, N. Hixson.
- 228—John Gallaher.
- 233—Jas. Brown, Robt. Phippin.
- 241—Wm. Gullett.
- 254—J. H. Kalar.
- 256—Robt. Bullock.
- 265—J. C. B. Johns, J. W. Harris.
- 267—J. J. Churchill, R. J. Halle.
- 271—S. Dilts.
- 284—J. Johnston, G. B. McDonagh.
- 285—Thos. G. Duff.
- 286—Ed. Dear, C. E. Williams, Ed. Johnston.
- 289—Jos. Mason, J. F. McAllister.
- 294—M. Day, Jas. Nesbit.
- 295—John Landerkin, F. N. Burrows.
- 297—Angus W. Mishaw.
- 305—Hugh Wallace.
- 307—G. A. Dunn.
- 311—J. B. Rowantree, G. S. Mason.
- 316—Jos. Compton.
- 345—A. D. Osborn.
- 346—Samuel Knowlton.
- 350—Edward Fallow.
- 368—Robt. Gwynne, F. R. Feehan.
- 402—Geo. Stephenson, J. T. Brown.

AT REST.

NO. OF LODGE	NAME.	DATE.
2	Jas. Cushman.....	November 29....1886
2	E. H. Thompson.....	April 10.....1887
2	S. H. Follett.....	June 24....1887
3	H. A. Bayne.....	September 18....1886
3	Wm. Hales.....	December 18....1886
3	C. H. Crawford.....	.....1886
5	Jas. C. Steel.....	June.....1884
6	Robt. Sanderson.....	September 26....1886
9	Jas. Bogart.....	August 25.....1886
9	S. Lemon.....	February 26....1887
10	John Dixon.....	March 12.....1887
10	John F. Clarke.....	April 19.....1887
11	G. W. Fredrick.....	.....1886
11	R. Fairborn.....	January 21....1887
14	Robt. Douglas.....	December 5....1886
14	E. Harvey.....	April 13.....1887
15	John Turver.....	April 10.....1887
16	C. A. Switzer.....	May 8.....1883
16	S. Jackson.....	January 27....1887
17	W. H. Floyd.....	July 18.....1886
18	G. Striker.....	October 6.....1886
22	W. J. Cather.....	September 21....1886
22	V. P. Humphrey.....	May 20.....1887
22	J. White.....	June 14....1887
25	D. Black.....	July 12.....1886
28	R. Corbett.....	November 16....1886
30	Wm. Johnston.....	July 26.....1886
32	E. Cherry.....	May 23.....1886
32	M. F. Haney.....	November 12....1886
32	L. J. Weatherly.....	July 13....1886
33	Stephen Yates.....	December 24....1886
37	H. Campbell.....	July 31.....1886
37	T. Poole.....	March 3.....1887
40	D. Edgar.....	February 7....1887
40	J. Hancock.....	June 1.....1887
41	John Arner.....	December 19....1886
42	Robt. James.....	December 2....1886
42	W. J. Murray.....	August 8.....1886
42	Jas. Donnelly.....	March 10.....1887
44	Wm. Alexander.....	January 4.....1886
46	Egbert Wigzell.....	December 3....1886
47	A. M. Phillips.....	December 2....1886
47	H. D. Stewart.....	March 10.....1887
47	D. T. Smith.....	July 9.....1887
50	J. W. Irwin.....	November 24....1882
52	W. H. McBride.....	April 1.....1886
52	J. W. Imley.....	February 14....1886
61	Thos. Jackson.....	October 19....1886
61	John Leitch, Jr.....	April 27.....1887
63	Wm. Wilson.....	July 4.....1887

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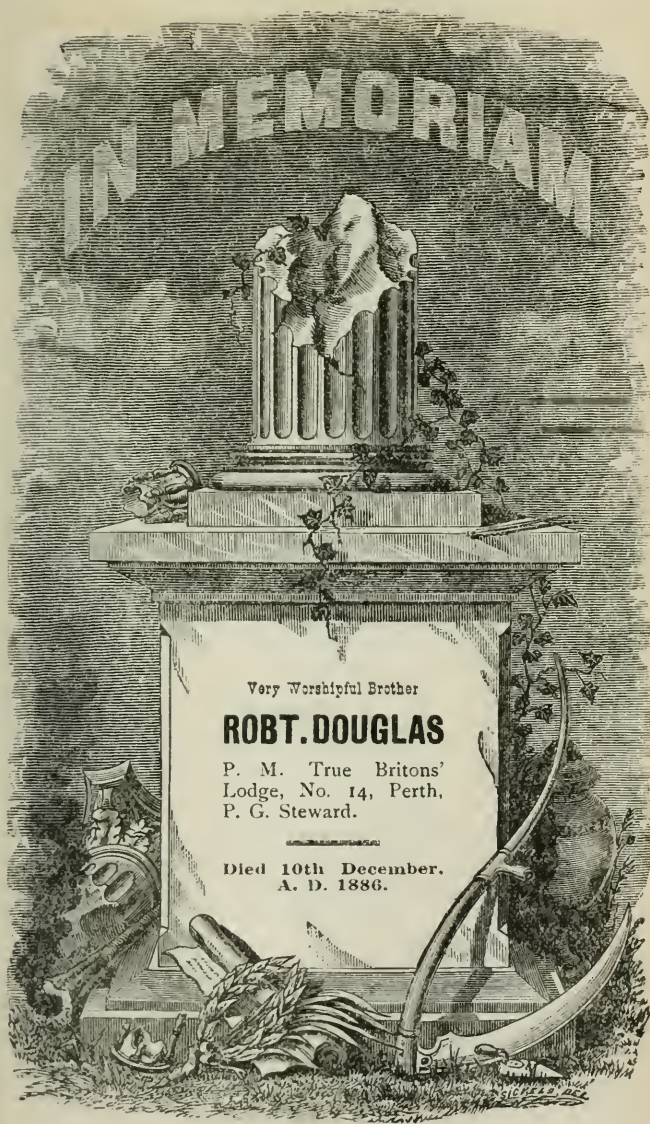
NO. OF LODGE	NAME.	DATE.
64	Isaac Hogg	March 20.....1886
65	Geo. Johnson	September 2.....1886
65	T. Caron	July 31.....1886
65	J. Manning	September 23 ...1886
65	C. G. Fortier.....	December 16....1886
65	W. H. Fraser	March 8.....1887
65	A. W. Fake.....	June 15.....1887
68	John Brunt.....	December 5.....1886
68	Thos. Hamlyn.....	January 4 .....1887
69	M. G. Vandervoort.....	February 15 ....1887
69	G. H. Phillips.....	February .....1887
72	Thos. Peck	October 18 ....1886
73	Andrew Driver	May.....1886
73	Geo. Bovelle	April .....1886
76	A. A. H. Fauquier.....	April 9.....1887
76	A. Gordon	April 10.....1887
76	A. Stairs.....	April 29.....1887
77	W. J. Irwin.....	August 31.....1887
78	R. Delmage.....	July 28.....1886
78	W. B. Wilcox	June 21.....1887
79	A. L. Hamer	April 10 .....1887
81	Jas. Clark.....	July 18.....1886
83	John Frank	September 17...1886
84	Thos. Cooper... ..	December 1.....1886
86	T. S. Robinson	March 1 .....1887
86	Jas. Phillips.....	July 25.....1886
86	J. T. Gurnett.....	July 18.....1886
87	W. J. Mitchell.....	January 22. ....1887
87	D. McPherson.....	May 14.....1887
90	A. Dudgeon	August 28.....1886
90	John Ferguson	February 27.....1887
90	Jas. Blue	May 24.....1887
91	Thos. A. German.....	January 24.....1887
92	Fred. Scobell	September 20...1886
92	J. K. Sherwood	October 12....1887
93	E. Robertson.....	October 8 ....1886
93	Jas. LeGear.....	June 19.....1887
96	T. W. Georgen.....	December 26....1886
96	John Dodson	January 23.....1887
99	John Gascoine.....	September 23...1886
101	Jas. F. Dennistown .....	.....1886
103	L. Lemon.....	January 24.....1887
104	E. C. McLees	May 15.....1886
105	E. Shainholdts.....	October 13.....1886
105	G. Goldsborough.....	February 25....1887
105	G. J. Duncan	April 20.....1887
107	J. M. Banghart	July 1.....1886
109	Richard Parkin	August 261887
110	Chas. Lennon.....	August 5.....1886
110	G. C. Hart.....	May.....1887

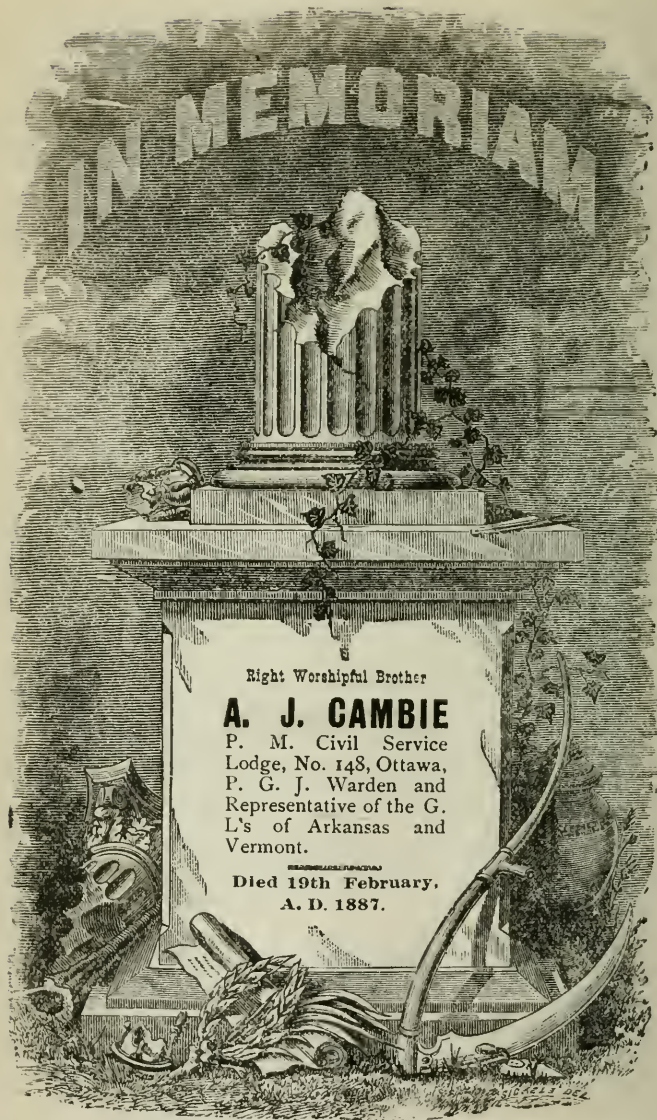
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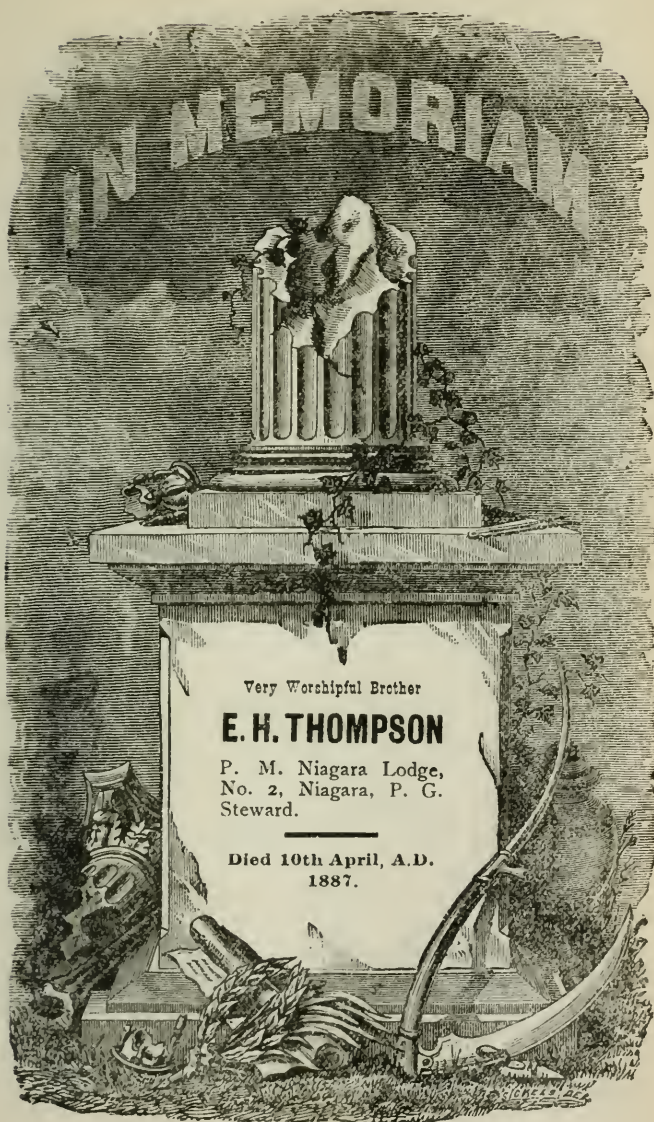
NO. OF LODGE	NAME.	DATE.
113	R. C. Irwin.....	January 1. . . . 1887
115	Jas. W. Hixon.....	July 17.....1887
116	P. McKellar.....	July 5.....1886
120	Peter Horton.....	September.....1886
123	D. K. J. McKinnon.....	April 9.....1887
126	J. W. Byam.....	January 23.....1886
129	H. J. Hartman.....	August 8.....1886
131	Wm. Smith.....	January 22.....1887
133	Absalom Sanders.....	March 7.....1887
135	R. Holloran.....	August 23.....1886
135	John Pattison.....	April 12.....1887
141	S. P. Powers.....	February 28....1887
145	Jno. B. Smith.....	December 18....1886
146	J. Connolly.....	May 19.....1887
148	J. V. Gall.....	April 13.....1886
149	John Broom.....	March 18.....1887
149	Thos. Warren.....	May 11.....1887
153	Hy. Pye.....	June 5.....1886
154	W. S. O'Neil.....	April 20.....1887
155	J. W. Alford.....	February 13....1886
156	Wm. Norris.....	June 27.....1887
161	Fred. Bailey.....	September 2 ...1886
166	W. M. Thornton.....	August 26.....1886
168	G. J. Duncan.....	May 20.....1887
170	A. Armitage.....	January 19.....1887
172	A. Ross.....	June 25.....1887
174	W. B. Franklin.....	October 31.....1886
177	T. A. Mingard.....	September 26....1886
178	J. K. Sauer.....	December 6.....1886
183	L. McLean.....	March 27.....1887
185	W. J. Coulter.....	October 24.....1886
192	T. J. Decatur.....	January 3.....1887
193	A. J. Alport.....	December 18....1886
201	D. F. Jones.....	February 23....1887
201	H. Wellbanks.....	April 3.....1887
207	E. McRae.....	June 27.....1887
209a	Isaac Hodgins.....	April 24.....1887
212	John Agnew.....	March 6.....1887
218	Hy. Fox.....	December 25....1886
218	Thos. Reid.....	January 14.....1887
218	W. B. Bunting.....	February 2.....1887
218	Chas. Chinn.....	May 17.....1887
218	J. Blair.....	March 15.....1887
219	Wm. McEnery.....	August 1.....1886
220	M. D. Crosby.....	September 9....1886
225	J. S. Draper.....	May 1.....1886
225	A. McC. Sloan.....	December 30....1886
229	H. P. Milligan.....	November 25....1886
233	L. G. Cruickshank.....	August 15.....1876
235	G. F. Chambers.....	December 10....1886

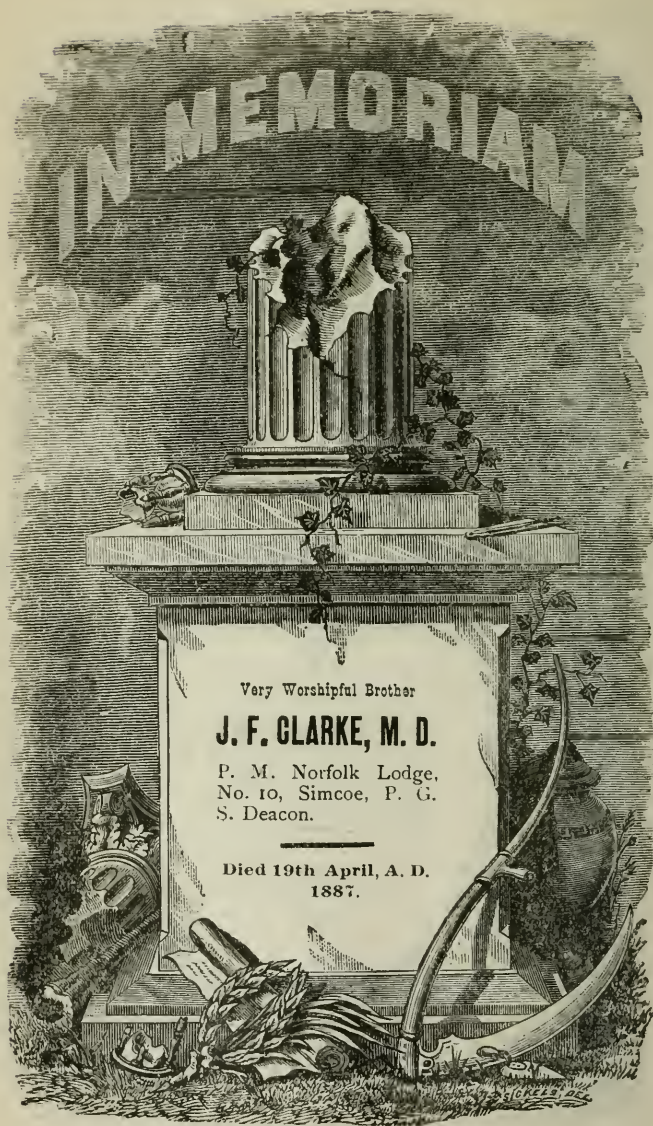
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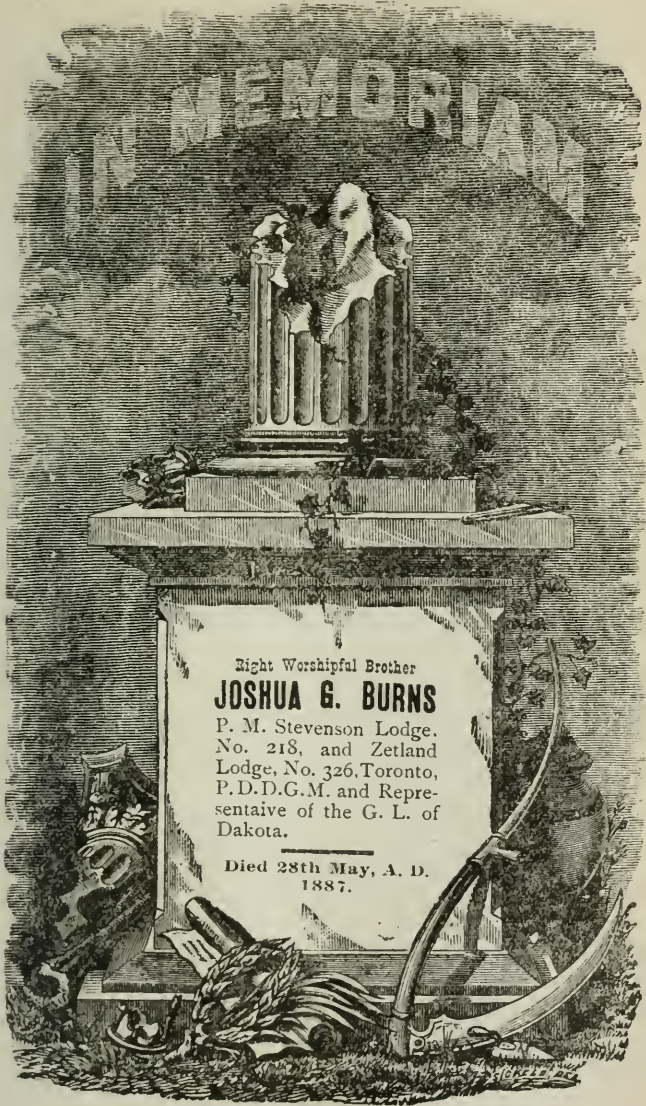
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247	J. H. Brereton.....	March 11.....1887	
250	David Pitt	April 24	1887
254	Hy. Higgs	September 22...1886	
255	C. G. Hicks	May 27.....1887	
256	A. Archibald	March 4.....1886	
256	G. F. Hill.....	February	1887
257	Thos. Colwell	October 5	1886
258	S. S. Walsh	November 7 ....1886	
260	W. E. McCollough.....	February 28....1887	
261	John Hislop	November 1 ....1886	
265	Wm. Long.....	September 30...1886	
270	W. T. Dingle	May 21.....1886	
272	John Patrick.	April 11.....1886	
276	Geo. McDaniel	No date.	
278	Ambrose C. Hinds.....	March 3.....1887	
285	A. M. Kirkland	October 31 ....1886	
287	John F. Clarke	April 18.....1887	
290	J. T. Varley.....	November 27 ...1886	
306	Thos. McClocklin.....	January 18.....1887	
312	Thos. Crane.....	November 12....1886	
314	F. J. Morris.....	April 27.....1886	
316	F. Rogers.....	August 10 ....1886	
320	Jas. Stallmayer	July 29.....1886	
326	J. G. Burns.....	May 28.....1887	
329	Robt. Howard.....	March 9.....1887	
331	Thos. Wilson.....	June 27.....1886	
339	J. G. Burns.....	May 28.....1887	
341	J. A. Griffith	October 24....1886	
341	D. A. McDonald....	No date.	
343	Alex. Williams	April 10	1886
345	Edward Hart.....	May 1.....1887	
346	H. P. Boulton.....	July 4	1886
347	Alex. Gerrie.....	April 17.....1886	
360	Geo. Collins.....	August 17....1886	
361	Donald McLean	April	1887
362	R. H. Finlay	November 16 ...1886	
366	J. M. Banghart	July 1.....1886	
367	E. A. Martin.....	July 22.....1886	
367	F. Donovan.....	December 9....1886	
368	R. Gwynne	November 22....1886	
368	R. T. Newmarch.....	November 26....1886	
369	C. Clayton	December 19...1886	
369	W. Hunwick	July 12.....1886	
374	A. McCrea	December 15...1886	
380	F. Campbell	October 17.....1886	
389	John Whitworth	April 22.....1886	
390	E. Amsden	September 22...1886	
397	Jas. Jeffray....	December 26....1886	
404	Thos. Miller	June 5.....1887	











SYNOPSIS OF THE RETURNS OF LODGES.

For the Year Ending 24th June, 1887.

No. of Lodge.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths.	Susp. N. P. D.	Susp. U. M. C.	Expulsions.	Restorations.	Total.
2..	2	1	1	...	...	3	5	...	...	...	39
3..	3	2	3	2	8	3	5	...	...	2	101
5..	3	4	5	2	...	1	4	...	...	2	130
6..	19	18	17	6	1	1	...	...	...	1	246
7..	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	59
9..	3	2	2	3	2	2	...	...	...	3	65
10..	5	4	5	1	2	2	2	...	...	...	86
11..	15	10	10	...	1	2	5	...	...	...	91
14..	4	4	4	1	4	2	5	...	...	...	91
15..	5	3	2	...	1	1	5	...	...	...	106
16..	4	3	3	4	7	2	5	...	...	2	178
17..	2	2	3	2	1	1	4	...	...	1	66
18..	5	7	4	...	3	1	...	...	...	2	131
20..	9	6	5	5	...	...	8	...	...	1	140
22..	1	...	...	...	2	3	8	...	...	1	147
23..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
24..	6	4	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	51
25..	12	8	7	2	4	1	...	...	...	...	95
26..	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	57
27..	14	13	8	4	6	...	2	...	...	...	202
28..	1	1	1	1	4	1	...	...	...	...	39
29..	2	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	33
30..	...	1	1	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	52
31..	2	2	3	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	59
32..	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	3	63
33..	3	2	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	105
34..	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39
35..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44
36..	1	...	...	1	...	...	4	...	...	...	24
37..	5	4	5	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	84
38..	4	3	2	...	2	...	5	...	...	...	48
39..	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	32
40..	11	12	10	1	1	2	...	...	...	2	249
41..	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	62
42..	2	2	2	...	2	3	...	...	...	1	103
43..	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	89
44..	1	1	1	1	4	1	3	...	...	...	101
45..	2	2	2	...	5	...	3	...	...	3	72
46..	4	7	6	3	3	1	8	1	...	1	75
47..	4	6	5	4	4	3	...	...	...	2	99
48..	1	1	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	58
50..	5	5	5	1	14	1	4	...	...	...	26
52..	9	7	8	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	78
54..	1	1	2	...	1	...	6	...	...	...	44
55..	1	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	100
56..	4	2	1	4	5	...	2	75

Synopsis of the Returns of Lodges for the year ending 24th June, 1887.

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No. of Lodge.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths.	Susp. N.P.D.	Susp. U.M.C.	Expulsions.	Restorations.	Total.
57..	5	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	36
58..	7	6	6	2	2	..	..	..	..	1	72
61..	10	10	5	..	4	2	4	..	..	..	176
62..	1	4	1	3	3	..	..	..	..	1	29
63..	7	6	3	5	2	1	..	..	..	..	53
64..	4	3	3	7	1	1	..	..	..	1	148
65..	4	6	8	1	4	6	8	..	..	1	146
66..	3	3	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	49
68..	4	6	6	4	..	2	11	..	..	4	68
69..	6	2	2	6	5	2	7	1	..	1	99
72..	7	8	8	1	1	1	9	..	..	..	68
73..	1	2	2	1	3	2	3	..	..	2	63
74..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38
75..	6	8	10	1	8	..	3	..	..	1	193
76..	7	7	9	6	1	3	..	..	..	2	106
77..	10	8	8	2	2	1	..	..	..	1	89
78..	7	6	7	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	73
79..	3	5	6	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	41
80..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16
81..	2	2	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	68
82..	1	2	2	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	41
83..	..	..	1	1	5	1	1	..	..	2	76
84..	1	1	1	1	2	1	6	..	..	1	65
85..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	59
86..	1	1	4	..	7	3	8	..	..	..	115
87..	2	2	1	2	..	2	5	..	..	1	20
88..	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	57
90..	2	2	3	..	..	3	3	..	..	1	90
91..	3	3	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	33
92..	1	1	1	..	4	2	..	..	..	1	117
93..	2	2	1	2	4	2	3	..	..	..	97
94..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38
95..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20
96..	4	4	3	1	4	2	4	..	..	2	74
97..	3	3	3	1	2	..	4	..	..	..	44
98..	6	4	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	35
99..	3	3	3	1	3	1	6	..	..	1	42
100..	8	8	6	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	78
101..	1	2	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	55
103..	7	8	7	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	93
104..	13	10	13	9	1	1	..	..	..	2	66
105..	1	2	1	..	1	3	..	..	..	1	53
106..	5	6	8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	65
107..	2	2	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	48
108..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
109..	11	6	4	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	51
110..	2	2	4	80

Synopsis of the Returns of Lodges for the year ending 24th June, 1887.

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No. of Lodge.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths.	Susp. N. P. D.	Susp. U. M. C.	Expulsions.	Restorations.	Total.
113.	2	1	1	1	1	1					52
114.	1	1	1		1						39
115.	2	1	1	1		1	4				55
116.	2	2	2		2	1	1				27
118.											33
119.											31
120.	3	3	3		1	1	4				26
121.	7	10	11	1	1						73
122.	3	2	1		2					1	42
123.	12	11	8	2	5	1					95
125.											55
126.	4	5	3	2		1					38
127.	6	7	12	1	2					1	65
128.	8	6	8		9		5			1	91
129.	3	3	4		2	1	5				47
131.						1				1	30
133.	1	1	1	1		1	8				66
135.	2	1			1	2					62
136.											30
137.					2					1	71
139.		1	2		2					2	50
140.											56
141.	2	1	1	3	2	1					47
142.	8	4	3		3					2	62
143.											36
144.	3	3	3	1	3						82
145.	8	7	7		1	1					55
146.	5	5	6		1	1					51
147.	4	3	6		1						56
148.				4	2	1	4				56
149.	6	5	4	1	1	2	4				47
150.											10
151.	1	1			4						67
153.											
154.	2	2	1	2	2	1				1	52
155.	6	4	3	2	4	1	1				82
156.	3	2	2			1	2				51
157.	6	4	4								61
158.	1	2	1								39
159.											54
161.	1				3	1					46
162.											21
164.	2	2	2								40
165.	1	2	2	3	1		3				38
166.	1	2	2	1	3	1					45
168.	5	7	3		1	1	3			2	77
169.				1	1					2	65

Synopsis of the Returns of Lodges for the year ending 24th June, 1887.

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No. of Lodge.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths.	Susp. N. P. D.	Susp. U. M. C.	Expulsions.	Restorations.	Total.
170...	4	4	2	4	3	1	1	...	...	...	78
171.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
172...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	30
174...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	57
176...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	35
177...	3	4	7	5	1	1	2	...	...	...	72
178...	2	2	1	...	2	1	1	...	...	1	36
179...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
180...	5	4	7	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	109
181.	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	23
183...	...	1	7	1	1	1	...	...	...	2	59
184...	2	2	1	...	5	...	9	...	...	1	43
185...	3	2	2	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	23
186.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27
189...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
190...	1	1	1	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	32
192...	5	5	5	1	4	2	...	...	...	3	55
193...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	27
194...	3	3	3	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	57
195...	3	2	2	1	3	...	4	...	...	...	47
196.	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	50
197...	3	3	4	...	5	...	1	...	...	2	45
200...	3	4	4	...	5	...	3	...	...	1	36
201...	3	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	69
203...	...	2	2	1	8	...	6	...	...	...	42
205...	3	5	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
207...	1	4	4	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	59
2094.	17	17	19	1	5	1	6	...	...	2	157
209...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	37
210.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
212...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	34
214.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
215...	1	1	1	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	22
216...	6	5	3	...	6	...	...	...	...	2	72
217...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
218...	15	13	12	2	5	5	20	...	...	4	116
219...	2	3	3	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	47
220...	5	4	4	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	56
221...	1	1	3	...	...	...	7	...	...	2	68
222...	9	9	8	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	42
223.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
224...	3	3	3	1	5	...	3	...	...	...	30
225...	5	4	2	1	2	2	4	...	...	...	75
228...	2	2	3	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	46
229.	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	86
230...	1	1	6	2	8	...	...	...	...	...	91
231.	1	1	6	46

Synopsis of the Returns of Lodges for the year ending 24th June, 1887.

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No. of Lodge.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths.	Susp. N.P.D.	Susp. U.M.C.	Expulsions.	Restorations.	Total.
232..											27
233..		1	1		3	1	5			2	45
234..	4	3	3	2	1						51
235..			2			1					45
236..	8	6	4		5		4				20
237..											23
238..	2	2	1		2						58
239..	2	1	1	1	1						39
241..	1	1	1		2		2			1	17
242..	4	3	6								50
243..	3	3	3	1	2						49
245..	3	3	3		3						42
247..	6	7	10	7	7	1	2				125
249..	2	3	4	4							44
250..	1	1	1		2	1	14				56
253..	1	1	2		2		3				83
254..	1	3	3			1	11			1	57
255..	2	1	1			1	2				47
256..	5	5	4	1	4	2				1	56
257..	7	6	6	1	2	1	1				67
258..	6	7	7	1	2	1	1				79
259..					2						22
260..	5	5	2	2		1					45
261..						1					25
262..	1	1	2	2	2				1		60
263..											46
264..	4	4	4	1	3						65
265..	5	5	5	1	1	1				2	38
266..											19
267..	1	1			3		11	1		2	52
268..	1	1	1		2						42
269..	1	1	2		1						41
270..	1	1			1	1					58
271..	3	3	3				5			1	32
272..	4	2	2	1	2	1	3				44
274..	2	2	2				2				49
276..	5	4	4			1					28
277..	1	1			1						48
278..						1					31
279..	1	1	1		1		3				29
280..											13
281..											57
282..	1	1	1		1						33
283..	4	3	2								44
284..	2	1		2	4		3			2	41
285..	1	2	2	2	1	1				1	38
286..	1	1	1		1					3	30

Synopsis of the Returns of Lodges for the year ending 24th June, 1887.

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Synopsis of the Returns of Lodges for the year ending 24th June, 1887.

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No of Lodge.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths.	Susp. N.P.D.	Susp U.M.C.	Expulsions.	Restorations.	Total.
339..	12	12	14	1	5	1	5				122
340..					1						34
341..	1	3	2			2					60
342..											32
343..	2	5	9	5	2	1	1				51
344..	1	2	2		1						38
345..						1	7			1	33
346..	12	13	11	5	2	1	2			1	119
347..	6	7	6	3	3	1					36
348..	1	3	3	1	2		6				33
349..				1	5						37
352..				1	1						46
353..											18
354..	4	4	4	2	3		4				32
356..	1	1	3		3		4				40
357..	7	6	5		1						61
358..	1	2	2		2		1				30
359..	1	1	2				2				42
360..	2	2	4		3	1					43
361..	5	6	5	1	1	1	2	2			78
362..	3	3	3			1	1				34
363..	1	1	1	1							35
364..	2	1	1	1			6				41
366..	2	1	1	1	4	1	1				65
367..	11	11	12	5	1	2			1		117
368..	5	5	5	5		2	2			2	46
369..	3	3	5		1	2	2				56
370..											41
371..	6	6	5	2	1		1				72
372..	5	5	5	1	1		2				27
373..	2	3	2				3				34
374..	2	2	3		1	1					24
375..	1	1	1	1	1						27
376..											29
377..	1	2	4	1	1		8				27
378..	3	3	3		3		8			1	58
379..	4	4	3								34
380..	11	11	11	1	1	1					94
382..	6	5	2	1	4		5				98
383..											34
384..	14	17	20	10	13						107
385..	2	1	1	2	7						20
386..			2								35
387..					2						11
388..	1	1	1		1					1	40
389..	2	2	3		2	1		1			26
390..	1	1	1	1	1	1					25

Synopsis of the Returns of Lodges for the year ending 24th June, 1887.

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No. of Lodge.	Initiations.	Passings.	Raisings.	Joinings.	Withdrawals.	Deaths.	Susp. N.P.D.	Susp. U.M.C.	Expulsions.	Restorations.	Total.
391..	10	7	6	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61
392..	1	1	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43
393..	3	2	..	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29
394..	8	8	8	..	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	50
395..	2	2	1	..	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41
396..	4	6	6	2	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43
397..	5	5	6	..	..	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	48
398..	1	2	1	..	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34
399..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	16
400..	2	2	2	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67
401..	3	2	2	1	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29
402..	8	7	7	4	4	.....	4	.....	2	.....	54
403..	6	5	4	3	5	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	47
404..	1	2	2	..	..	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	37
405..	26	15	9	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53
406..	8	6	6	..	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
407..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
408..	8	8	7	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
409..	4	4	4	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36
410..	14	11	10	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37
411..	4	2	2	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23
412..	2	1	..	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21
413..	3	3	3	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26
414..	5	6	4	..	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70
415..	12	11	10	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21
416..	4	4	4	1	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19
417..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18
U.D.	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
U.D.	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22
Total.	1123	1050	1030	328	608	198	543	6	2	141	19,450

RECAPITULATION.

OF THE RETURNS OF LODGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 24TH JUNE,
1887, AS FAR AS HEARD FROM.

Lodges Organized and Affiliated.....	421
“ Extinct.....	21
“ Ceded to Grand Lodge of Quebec.....	38
“ “ “ “ “ Manitoba.....	5
“ Number on Roll.....	357
“ Represented in Grand Lodge.....	304
Initiations Reported.....	1123
Passings “.....	1050
Raisings “.....	1030
Joinings “.....	328
Restorations “.....	141
Resignations “.....	608
Deaths “.....	198
Suspensions for Non-payment of Dues.....	543
“ for Unmasonic Conduct.....	6
Expulsions.....	2
Members in Good Standing.....	19450

Gross receipts for the year ending 31st May, 1887.\$15,604 77

Assets of Grand Lodge as per Grand Treasurer's

Statement, 31st May, 1887.....\$68,221 77

LIST OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS FOR 1887-88.

M. W. Bro.	Henry Robertson, LL. B., Collingwood, Grand Master.	
R.	" " R. T. Walkem, Q. C., Kingston, Deputy Grand Master.	
"	" " Robt. M. Stuart, Dresden, D. D. G. M.	
"	" " James Newell, M.D., Wyoming,	"
"	" " C. N. Spencer, London,	"
"	" " Chris. McLellan, Straiford,	"
"	" " E. E. Wade, Brussels,	"
"	" " J. C. Hegler, Ingersoll,	"
"	" " Andrew Jardine, Hespeler,	"
"	" " George Russell, Hamilton,	"
"	" " Henry Jennings, Penetanguishene	"
"	" " C. G. McDermott, St. Catharines,	"
"	" " E. T. Malone, Toronto,	"
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